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RAILWAY STRIKE POSTPONED

A.I.R.F. EXECUTIVE'S DECISION

NO STRIKE NOTICE TO BE SERVED AT PRESENT

Disciplinary Action Against Unions Participating In Calcutta Conference

PATNA, Feb. 16 (U.P.I.)

The Working Committee's recommendations to postpone the railwaymen's strike was accepted by an overwhelming majority by the General Council of the All-India Railwaymen's Federation at its meeting here today. Mr. Jai Prakash Narain presided.

Earlier, the Working Committee of the Federation, after a deliberation for two and a half hours, decided to recommend to the General Council of the A.I.R.F., to postpone the strike notice for the present.

The Working Committee, in its recommendation said that in view of the present political and economic situation in the country they should stay on the strike-notice for the present

DESCIPLINARY ACTION

In another resolution the Working Committee recommended to the General Council to take disciplinary action against those unions or members of the A.I.R.F. who participated in the recent Calcutta Conference of the Railway Workers' Conference styled as the All-India Railway Workers' Conference.

The Committee did not grant affiliation to the E. I. Railway-Road Workers' Union and the O. T. Rail-Road Workers' Union which had applied for the same.

'REDS' STAGE WALK OUT

The Communist members staged a walk out from the General Council Session as a protest against the recognition of certain Railway Employees' Unions of Bengal and Assam by the Federation's General Council while their application for the affiliation of the O. T. Railway Road Workers' Union and the E. I. Railway Road Workers' Union had earlier been rejected by the Working Committee.

ACTION ON STRIKE BALLOT STAYED

General Council Welcomes Change In Govt. Attitude

NEW DELHI, February 16 (UPI): The following resolutions were adopted by the General Council of the All-India Railwaymen's Federations which met at Dinapore today under the presidentship of Mr. Jai Prakash Narain:—

"This Council congratulates the railwaymen throughout India on having enthusiastically participated in the strike ballot, in spite of all obstacles, on the issues contained in Lilooah resolutions.

WELCOME CHANGE

"This Council considers that the discussions of the President with the Ministry of Railways reveal a change in the attitude of Government, as evidenced in their readiness to reconsider their decision on the basis of certain formula in respect of the demand contained in Lilooah resolutions No. 3 and 5.

"While workers having small families have been benefited by the concessions to xercise individual option in the new Dearness Relief Scheme, this Council views with grave concern the plight of thousands of railwayman, who have been hard hit by the reduction of benefits in violation of the agreement with the Federation and ttherefore, considers that it must reserve to itself the right to take appropriate action against the breach of agreement committed by the Government in this behalf.

This Council notes that the position of the Indian States railway is under the examination of a special committee and a favourable decision is likely in the course of the next few months.

ACTION STAYED

In view of the altered circumstances affecting the three resolutions of the Federation after the Nagpur meeting and pending the completion of negotiations in this behalf and consistent with the policy of the Federation to exhaust all avenues for honourable settlement and avoid precipitating a crisis, resolves to stay action on the ballot results and await the results of further discussion for the purpose of securing a fair and just settlement of the present dispute.

In another resolution, the Council says:

MALICIOUS PROPAGANDA CONDEMNED

The General Council strongly condemns the persistent and malicious propaganda carried on by the following Unions:—

(a) S. I. Railway Labour, (b) The B.B. & C.I. Railway Union, and (c) the G.I.P. Railwaymen's Union, against the office-bearers of the Federation, who in terms of the mandate of the Nagpur resolution negotiated with the Government on the Lilooah demand of the Federation and considers that the decision of these unions to serve independent strike notices not authorised by the Federation is an act of disloyalty and injurious to the interest of railwaymen and is calculated to disrupt the solidarity of the Federation.

Having heard the explanation of the representatives of these Unions, the General Council is of emphatic opinion that these Unions have committed a breach of discipline injurious to the interest of railwaymen and to the solidarity of the Federation, condemns their action in the strongest possible form and disaffiliates them from the Federation.

"CHEHLUM" CEREMONY OF LATE MR. BRELVI

THE "CHEHLUM" CEREMONY OF THE LATE MR. S. A. BRELVI WILL BE OBSERVED AT THE JUMMA MASJID, BOMBAY, AT 9 P.M. TODAY (THURSDAY) AFTER "ISHA" PRAYERS.

INDIA CAN MAKE IT!

Presenting the Railway Budget in the Dominion Parliament on Tuesday, the Railway Minister, Mr. N. Gopalaswamy Ayyangar announced plans for the manufacture of locomotives at Mihijam on the East Indian Railway, which is being renamed "Chittaranjan."

GREATER RAJASTHAN TO COME INTO BEING BY APRIL

Unit To Cover 120,868 Sq. Miles: Covenant For Rulers Signed In Delhi

NEW DELHI, Feb. 16 (UPI): Greater Rajasthan, which will be the biggest administrative unit in India, will come into being by the first week of April. The Covenant for the Rulers was finalised in Delhi today and has been signed by the Rulers of States present in the capital.

Greater Rajasthan will consist of Jaipur, Jodhpur, Bikaner, Jaisalmere and States of the present Rajasthan Union including Udaipur, Kotah, Bundi etc.

It will have an area of 120,868 square miles and a population of over 12 millions with a total revenue of over Rs. 11 crores.

The covenant of Great Rajasthan, it is learnt, will be signed by the other rulers shortly.

Mr. V. P. Menon, Adviser to the Ministry of States, Government of India, is soon leaving for Bikaner and Udaipur to get the signature of the Rulers. He will visit also Gwalior, Bhopal and Hyderabad next week.

Discussions on the future of the Matsya Union will continue between the Rulers and officials of the States Ministry. It is believed that Alwar and Karauli will eventually join the Greater Rajasthan while the other two states, Bharatpur and Dholpur, are expected to join U.P.

STERLING BALANCES AGREEMENT

NEW DELHI, Feb. 16, (A. P. I.): Discussions between officials of the Government of India and the United Kingdom on the working of last year's sterling Balances Agreement, held here from February 7, concluded today.

The discussions which covered a wide range of financial and supply matters "enabled the two Governments to have a clear appreciation and better understanding to ensure smooth working of the agreement", a communique issued tonight stated.

LAHORE HIGH COURT NULLIFIES PROHIBITION NOTIFICATION

Government Order "Repugnant To Sec. 62 Of Constitution Act," Says Judge

LAHORE, Feb. 16 (API): Mr. Justice Cornelius of the Lahore High Court today declared invalid the West Punjab Government notification imposing prohibition in the province.

The Judgment was delivered on a petition filed on behalf of a local hotel keeper who was arrested about a week ago on a charge of being in possession of two bottles of beer. The defence contention was that the West Punjab Government's notification published on September 16, 1948 was repugnant to Section 62 of the Constitution Act which declared that there should be no discrimination in Pakistan on the basis of religion or colour. The West Punjab Government's notification banned the sale of liquor to Muslims except on medical grounds.

The Judge agreed with the defence argument, declared the notification illegal and ordered the release of the accused.

"13 AND NOT 100 KISANS DEAD"

E. Bengal Govt.'s Note On Mymensingh Incidents

DACCA, Feb. 16 (APP): The East Bengal Government, in a Press Note today, contradicted reports published in certain Calcutta papers that more than 100 Kisans were killed in clashes with police in Mymensingh District. The Press Note mentioned four incidents in which police opened fire on peasants and stated that 13 persons were killed in all these "actions". The situation, it added, was now under control.

Huddle Meets Zafrullah Khan

KARACHI, Feb. 16 (APP): The United States representative on the Kashmir Commission, Mr. Huddle had a meeting today with the Pakistan Foreign Minister, Sir Mohammed Zafrullah Khan.

He is meeting the Governor-General Khwaja Nazimuddin tomorrow.

LOCK-OUT IN SAURASTRA MILLS

RAJKOT, Feb. 16, (A. P. I.): Ten thousand textile workers are likely to be affected as a result of notices for lockout given by nine mills in Saurashtra. The lockout is to become effective from March 15.

NO WITHDRAWAL OF U.S. TROOPS FROM JAPAN

Dean Acheson's Statement To Press

WASHINGTON, Feb. 16 (PTI-Reuter): Mr. Dean Acheson, United States Secretary of State, today denied that the United States Government contemplated the withdrawal of American troops from Japan, either now or in any future war. Mr. Acheson, at his weekly press conference, also denied that the United States Government regarded Japan as indefensible in a future war.

Mr. Acheson said he was referring to reports of statements which had been attributed to the Secretary of Army, Mr. Kenneth Royall. He reminded the correspondents that Mr. Royall had also denied making any statements to this effect.

Mr. Acheson said there was no change in United States policy regarding Japan.

WARSAW BRITISH EMBASSY SECRETARY INJURED

WARSAW, Feb. 16 (PTI-Reuter): A Secretary of the British Embassy in Warsaw, Mr. A. C. Maule, was lying in hospital here today with three bullet wounds inflicted by men who made a raid on his home shortly after midnight.

Yoshida Forms Jap Coalition Cabinet

TOKYO, Feb. 16. (P.T.I.-Reuter): Mr. Shigeru Yoshida Prime Minister of Japan formed a coalition Government to-day between his own Democratic Liberal Party and the Democratic Party.

An announcement disclosing this indicated the list of Ministers has been approved by the Allied Occupation Headquarters.

It was believed the entry of two Democrats into the Cabinet may precipitate a crisis in the Democratic Party, for the majority of Democratic members of the Diet (Parliament) voted against a coalition yesterday.

Mr. Yoshida's Party gained a majority in the recent general elections.

The Cabinet list was as follows:—Premier and Foreign Minister—Shigeru Yoshida: Finance:— Hayato Ikeda: Attorney-General:— Shunkichi Ueda: Education:— Sotaro Takase: Welfare:— Laoji Havasmi: Agriculture and Forestry:— Kotarm Mori, Commerce and Industry:— Keitayo Inavaki (Democrat): Transportation: Shinzo Ovau): Communications:— Saeki Ozawa: Labour:— Masafumi Suzuki: Construction:— Hidetsugu Masutani: Director of Economic Stabilization Board:— Takayoshi Aoki: Chief Cabinet Secretary:— Kineshichi Masuda: Ministers without portfolio:— Kozeamon Kimura (Democrat), Akikuichiro Yamaguchi, Senzo Higao, Ichiro Honda.

Soviet Resigns From W. H. O.

UKRAINE AND BYELORUSSIA FOLLOW SUIT

GENEVA, Feb. 16, (PTI-Reuter): The Soviet Union, the Ukraine and Byelorussia have resigned from the World Health Organisation, one of the eleven specialised agencies set up by the United Nations.

Dr. Brook Chisholm, Executive head of the Organisation stated today that the three Governments have announced their resignations in similarly worded telegrams.

They complained that "the tasks connected with international measures for the prevention and control of diseases and with the spread of medical science achievements are not being accomplished satisfactorily by the organisation".

Dr. Chisholm said he had refused to accept resignations, demanding that the three Governments submit them to international acceptance by the Executive Board of the Health Organisation, due to meet in Geneva on February 21.

He added that it was too early to criticise the Organisation after only four months of organisational work in 1948 and a few weeks of 1949.

In a telegram to all member Governments of the Organisation, Dr. Chisholm called for concerted action to persuade the three members to reconsider their resignation.

INDUSTRIAL FINANCE CORPORATION FOR PAKISTAN

KARACHI, Feb. 16. (UPI): The Pakistan Constituent Assembly today adopted a Bill for the establishment of an Industrial Finance Corporation, with a capital of Rs. 3 crores, to help industrialisation of Pakistan.

Chiang To Emerge From Retirement?

PLAN TO LEAD GOVERNMENT TROOPS IN SOUTH CHINA

Sun Fo Denies Reports Of Resignation: "Reds" Withdraw From Icheng

SHANGHAI, FEB. 16 (PTI-REUTER): COL. CHIANG WEI KUO, SON OF FORMER PRESIDENT CHIANG KAI SHEK, WAS QUOTED BY THE "SHANGHAI EVENING POST" DESPATCH TODAY AS EXPRESSING THE CONVICTION THAT HIS FATHER WOULD EMERGE FROM RETIREMENT TO LEAD THE GOVERNMENT ARMIES IN SOUTH CHINA IF THE COMMUNISTS CAPTURED NANKING OR SHANGHAI.

Chinese Prime Minister Sun Fo today denied reports that he had resigned, but informed Shanghai circles believed he would give up his post soon "because of his failure to win support for the removal of the Cabinet to Canton".

Dr. Fo, who leads the "non-surrender" group in the Government, issued his denial after a three-hour Cabinet meeting in Canton.

Reports prevalent yesterday said he wanted to resign because "high blood pressure" prevented him taking an active part in Government affairs.

Skirmishes between Government and Communist troops were reported today on the north bank of the Yangtse near Sankiangying about 15 miles east of Nanking.

Communists were said to have withdrawn when Government naval vessels arrived.

Usually reliable Nanking sources said that on Monday Communists withdrew from Icheng, north bank town about 40 miles east of the capital.

MORE SOVIET TROOPS FOR EAST GERMANY

BERLIN, Feb. 16 (PTI-Reuter):— Russian troop trains are "arriving continually" with reinforcements for Russian forces in Eastern Germany, the United States official German language newspaper "Neue Zeitung" said today.

It quoted German railwaymen who take reparations trains to the Soviet Union.

U. N. COMMISSION FOR INDONESIA

Plea For 15 Days More Before Reporting To Security Council

LAKE SUCCESS, Feb. 16, (PTI-Reuter): The United Nations Commission for Indonesia today asked the Security Council for an extra 15 days before reporting on the situation in Indonesia.

The Commission was supposed to report by yesterday.

It asked for the date to be moved to March 1, "in light of recent developments at the Hague".

FULL REMISSION WHERE CROP IS FOUR ANNAS

MADRAS, Feb. 16, (UPI): The Madras Government propose to grant full land revenue remission in places where the outturn of crops is four annas and below, according to a press note issued by the Government today.

INDIAN HOLDINGS ABROAD

Scrutiny Into 16,000 Forms At Reserve Bank

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

A special section consisting of forty picked men of the staff of the Sterling Balance Branch of the Reserve Bank of India, are busy at the moment scrutinising 16,000 forms filed by individuals as well as partnerships and companies in India, furnishing detailed information regarding their assets and holdinge abroad.

Information furnished by some of the parties concerned runs into 50 to 100 typed sheets, and it is stated that it will take four months more before the Reserve Bank is able to assess the exact nature and value of the Indian investments and holdings abroad. Included in this category are firms registered and established in India but owned and controlled by Britishers or other aliens.

It will be recalled that a census of foreign assets and investments was ordered to be taken by an Ordinance issued by the Government of India on October 2, 1948. All persons and firms holding foreign investments were first ordered to submit detailed returns according to a perscribed form by the end of last year. But this period was then extended upto February 15. Since then, in order to enable people of Hyderabad, Kashmir, Bhopal and certain other states to send the required information time has been given till March 31.

An official of the Reserve Bank of India said today that it would take about four to five months to classify the forms and estimate the value of foreign holdings. He added that no conclusions could be drawn about the quantity of such holdings at this stage.

RAJAJI WITH PRINCE OF DENMARK

Mr. C. Rajagopalachari, Mrs. Sarojini Naidu and the Prince of Denmark have a cool chat at the Government House, Delhi.

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TENDER NOTICE.

SURAT DRAINAGE SCHEME

TENDERS are invited for the erection of civil works and supply and erection of plant equipment for the sewage Disposal Works for the treatment of d.w.f of 10.5 m.g. a day to serve prospective population of 300,000 persons at 35 Gallons capita, Sewage strength may be assumed 300 p.p.m. Primary treatment to secure removal of suspended solids by 70% and Biochemical Oxygen Demand by 40% has to be provided for along with Sludge Digestion tanks, primary and secondary with gas holder arrangement, pumping station to feed the sludge with sludge plunger pumps and all other equipment necessary to complete the work as detailed hereunder:—

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2. Detritor of capacity not exceeding 1 minute detention to take up twice the d.w.f. with influent and effluent channels, measuring device, arrangements for washing grit and return of organic matter etc., and for bypass direct to the Nala.
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5. Sludge dying beds-200.000 Sq. ft. in area with effluent pipe 12" etc.
6. Effluent Carriers to take final effluent out to fields for broad irrigation on 1000 Acres. This item may not be included in the general tender at this stage. It will be called in when the Contractor is on site and has started the work.

The Contractors should quote the period in which they expect the plant to be ready for start after the order was placed.

The Contractors should submit a lay out drawing showing the tanks for Primary treatment etc., and also for Secondary treatment to attain 90% removal of suspended solids and B.O.D. with specifications of the works to be carried out as proposed by them.

The Site will be at Ajna or Parbat. A Nala is close by and the site is a level piece of land. Soil at Ajna is Gorat mixture and at Parbat Black Cotton.

Sealed tenders should reach the undersigned on or before the 15th April, 1949. The Contractors will have to enter into a written agreement with the Municipality and furnish a Security deposit in cash or Banker's guarantee to the extent of 5% of the contract amount.

Any information required will be furnished by the Special Drainage Engineer by appointment. Plans, etc., will be available for inspection in the Municipal Office.

C. J. GHIA,
President,
Surat Borough Municipality.

Municipal Office,
Surat, 14-2-1949.

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BY THE COMMISSIONER OF POLICE.

No 1476 151-Imp.—The following draft of a notification which it is proposed to issue under clause (b) of sub-section (1) of section 22 of the City of Bombay Police Act, 1902 (Bom. IV of 1902), is published as required by sub-section (2) of the said section for the information of persons likely to be affected thereby and notice is hereby given that any objections or suggestions which may be received in writing by the Commissioner of Police, Bombay, from any person or persons with regard to the said draft on or before the 10th of March 1949 will be duly considered.

DRAFT NOTIFICATION.

In exercise of the powers conferred by clause (b) of sub-section (1) of section 22 of the City of Bombay Police Act, 1902, the Commissioner of Police, Bombay, makes the following new rule:—

"Apollo Street from its junction with Green Street to its junction with Old Custom House Road shall be closed to North bound vehicular traffic i.e. no entry from Old Custom House Road."

J. S. BHARUCHA,
Commissioner of Police.

Bombay, 25th January, 1949.

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G.I.P. RAILWAY

AUCTION SALE NOTICE.

THE ASSISTANT CONTROLLER of Grainshops, Bombay notifies that an auction sale of empties and condemned articles will be held at 12 hrs. on 24-2-1949 at Thana and at 12 hrs. on 25-2-49 at Kalyan. The conditions governing the auction can be obtained from the office of the Asst. Controller of Grainshops, Bombay on request. 3379

PUBLIC NOTICES

TENDER NOTICE

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	Size	Length	No.	
1	48"	8'	112	Test pressure 25 ft. head
2	51"	8'	250	
3	54"	8'	205	
4	42"	8'	65	
5	36"	8'	482	
6	33"	8'	532	
7	30"	8'	145	
8	27"	8'	120	

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3	9"	8'	80	+	140	+ 135	+ 125	—	42
			580		480	260	230		264

The Contractors shall make their own arrangements for obtaining steel wire and cement required for the works and should state if they would undertake the work of laying the sewers.

C. J. GHIA,
President,
Surat Borough Municipality.

Municipal Office.
Surat, 14-2-1949.

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NOTICE.

APPLICATIONS are invited from Urdu Speaking candidates for the following posts in East Bengal Subordinate Educational Service. The scales of pay attached to, and qualifications required for, the posts are noted against the posts. Selected persons will, on appointment be entitled to draw in addition to their pay in the time scales, adinterim pay and allowances as admissible under the rules:—

Posts.	Scales of pay.	Qualifications.
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3 Asstt. Mistresses of Government High School for Girls.	Rs. 75-175	Bachelor's degree of a recognised University with a degree or diploma in teaching and proficiency in Urdu.
4. Asstt. Masters. Government High School for Boys.	-Do-	-Do-

Candidates should be prepared for an interview by a Selection Committee at Dacca at their own cost.

Applications furnishing particulars under the following heads, will be received by the Director of Public Instruction, East Bengal, Ramna, Dacca, upto the 7th March, 1949:—

(1) Name.
(2) Father's or Husband's name.
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(b) Educational qualification — Matriculation with Mathematics.

NOTE:—Applicants who have passed the Inter-examination will be considered if not more than 19 years provided they passed this or the Matriculation Examination with Mathematics.

2. Candidates will be chosen by Selection Boards sitting at Bombay and Calcutta on dates to be notified to each qualified applicant, who will be required to travel to the centre at his own cost.

3. Applicants who are selected will be given pre-sea training for 3 months at the Nautical and Engineering College, Bombay. This College is residential. The cost of training, including charges for tuition, board and lodging will be about Rs. 160|- p.m. After the successful completion of the three months pre-sea course, the boys will be placed with shipping companies as Apprentices.

4. The next course commences on the 18th April, 1949 Last date for the receipt of application is 5th March 1949. For full particulars and application forms please apply to the Captain Superintendent of the College. (3275)

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G.I.P. RAILWAY—TENDERS.

THE CONTROLLER OF STORES invites tenders for the supply of hardware, etc., comprising Oil and Water Cans, Springs Moulders, Feaders Oil, Mortar Pans, Panel Pins, etc., form obtainable from the Stores Head Office, Gipstore Lane, Lower Parel, Bombay-13, at Rs. 2/- per copy, not refundable. Money order or cash only. Closing date 16th March, 1949, at 3 P.M. (S.T.). 3346

PERIYAKULAM MUNICIPALITY

TENDER NOTICE.

SEALED TENDERS are invited upto 15-3-49 for the supply of Electrical materials for Rs. 22,000. A list of materials can be had from the Municipal Electrical Engineer, Periyakulam.

L. PERUMAL CHETTIAR,
Commissioner.

Periyakulam
Municipal Office,
Dated: 11-2-49. 3380

PUBLIC NOTICES

BY THE COMMISSIONER OF POLICE.

No. 11862/T.—The following draft notification proposed to be issued under the City of Bombay Police Act, 1902 (Bom IV of 1902), is published for the information of the public as required by section 22 (2) of the said Act.

Any objection or suggestion which may be sent to the Commissioner of Police within one month from the date of publication of the draft notification in the BOMBAY GOVERNMENT GAZETTE will be considered by him.

DRAFT NOTIFICATION.

In exercise of the powers conferred by clause (gg) of subsection (1) of section 22 of the City of Bombay Police Act, 1902 (Bom. IV of 1902), the Commissioner of Police, Greater Bombay, is pleased, with the previous sanction of the Government of Bombay, to make the following rules, namely:—

Rules for Regulating or Prohibiting the sale of any ticket or Pass for admission, by whatever name called to a Place of Public Amusement.

1. No person shall sell, or keep, offer or expose for sale any ticket of admission, pass or any other evidence of the right of admission to any place of Public Amusement, whether belonging to class "A" or "B" as classified in rule 1 of the Rules for Places of Public Amusement in the City of Bombay, 1914, without having first procured a license from the Commissioner of Police in the form mentioned in the Schedule hereto annexed.

2. Every person holding a license under rule 1 shall sell, keep, offer or expose for sale any ticket or pass or any other evidence for admission to a place of Public Amusement only at the place of business or booking office as approved by the Commissioner of Police and specified in his license and no change in the location of the same shall be made without the previous permission of the Commissioner of Police.

3. Every person holding a license as aforesaid shall affix at a conspicuous part of his place of business or booking office a signboard on which shall be painted in large letters in English, Marathi and Gujarati vernacular his name and the words "Licensed to sell tickets or passes of admission to places of public amusement".

4. Every person holding or acting under a license granted under these rules shall produce his license at the place of business when called upon to do so by any police officer not lower in rank than that of a Sub-Inspector.

5. Every person holding a license as aforesaid shall cause to be affixed and displayed in a conspicuous manner at his place of business or booking office a price list showing the various rates charged for tickets of different classes of each of the places of public amusement, which are kept, offered or exposed by him for sale and also the hours of business during which such sale will be effected and no sale will be effected except during the hours so notified.

6. Every person holding a license as aforesaid shall print or cause to be printed on the face of every ticket, pass or other evidence of the right of admission to be sold or kept, offered or exposed for sale, the price charged therefor plus the entertainment tax, if any, and he shall not, at any time, charge for any such ticket a price in excess to that printed thereon and further, on request, shall furnish each purchaser of such a ticket or pass with a receipt showing the same information.

7. Every licensee shall at all times keep and maintain full and accurate sets of records showing sale of tickets and their rates and produce on demand, for inspection, by a police officer of a rank not below that of a Sub-Inspector, stock of tickets and registers of account.

8. Every person having a license under these rules shall be present at the premises of his business at all times when such premises are kept open to the public unless he has obtained the previous permission of the Commissioner of Police to be absent from such premises, such permission to be endorsed on the license, and no such person shall at any time permit any other person to act for him in the management of his business without the like permission similarly endorsed.

9. Every person holding or acting under a license granted under these rules shall conduct his occupation or business to which the license relates in an orderly manner.

10. A license issued under these rules may be granted for any period up to the 31st December following the date of issue.

11. The licensee shall be deemed responsible for all acts of his manager, servants or agents arising out of or in connection with the occupation or business to which his license relates.

12. A license granted under these rules shall not be transferable but shall be personal for the benefit only of the person to whom it is granted and on the death of such person it shall at once be deemed revoked.

13. For failure to comply with any reasonable suggestion or instructions issued by the Commissioner of Police any license granted under these rules may, if he thinks fit, be suspended or revoked.

14. When a license granted or renewed under these rules is lost or accidentally destroyed the Commissioner of Police may grant a duplicate of the original license on payment of a fee of Rupees five.

SCHEDULE.

License to sell or keep for sale tickets or passes of Admission to Places of Public Amusement.

FEE:—

(a) Rupees fifty if the license is granted for a period exceeding a fortnight up to 31st December following the date of issue;
(b) Rupees ten if the license is granted for a period not exceeding a fortnight.

No. /T of 1948.—Under the powers vested in the Commissioner of Police, Greater Bombay, by the City of Bombay Police Act, 1902, section 22, sub-section (1), clause (gg), and subject to the rules made with the previous sanction of the Government of Bombay, by the Commissioner of Police, Greater Bombay (printed on the reverse), license is hereby granted to authorising him to sell or keep for sale tickets or passes of admission or any other evidence of the right of admission to places of public amusement at the place of business or booking office described below from this date until subject nevertheless to suspension or revocation under section 136 (2) of the said Act.

Situation and description of the business premises or booking office:

Given under my hand and seal, this day of 19.

Seal.

Office of the Commissioner of Police, Bombay.
Commissioner of Police,
Greater Bombay.

Memorandum of Renewal of the above License subject to the conditions and restrictions referred to in the License:—

Date of renewal.	Date on which the renewed license expires.	Signature of the Commissioner of Police.
19	19	Commissioner of Police.
19	19	Commissioner of Police.
19	19	Commissioner of Police.
19	19	Commissioner of Police.
19	19	Commissioner of Police.

NOTES

(1) Under clause (K) of section 33 of the City of Bombay Police Act, 1902, any police officer may, without an order from a Magistrate and without a warrant, arrest any person who contravenes a rule made under clause (gg) of subsection (1) of section 22 of the said Act.

(2) Under section 127 of the City of Bombay Police Act, 1902, contravention of any rule made under section 22, sub-section (1), clause (gg) of the said Act will render the offender liable to be punished with imprisonment for a term which may extend to three months or with fine which may extend to five hundred rupees or with both.

(3) Under sub-section (2) of section 136 of the City of Bombay Police Act, 1902, any license or permission granted under the Act may at any time be suspended or revoked by the Commissioner of Police if any of its conditions or restrictions is infringed or evaded by the person to whom it has been granted or if such person is convicted of any offence in any matter to which such license or permission relates. For the purpose of this sub-section any such infringement or evasion by or conviction of a servant or other agent on behalf of the person to whom the license or written permission has been granted shall be deemed to be infringement or evasion by, or as the case may be conviction of the person to whom such license or written permission has been granted.

Office of the Commissioner of Police,
Bombay, 31st December, 1948.

J. S. BHARUCHA,
Commissioner of Police,
Greater Bombay.

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M. & S. M. RLY.

TENDERS are invited for the supply of woodfuel suitable for Locomotive Boilers at the following sheds for 1949-50. The quantities required to be supplied for the period are noted opposite each of the stations.

Shed	Quantity Tons.	Officer-in-Charge to whom tender should be submitted.
Castle Rock	1,000	District Transportation Superintendent (Power), M. & S. M. Railway, Hubli.
Belgaum	2,400	
Londa	1,000	
Alnawar	450	

2. One twelfth (1|12) of the above quantity should be delivered monthly.

3. Tender and specification forms are obtainable TILL 12 NOON OF 5TH MARCH, 1949, from the Officer-in-charge on payment of Rs. 3|- (not refundable) per set.

4. Tender should be submitted separately for each station.

5. Tenders are to be submitted NOT LATER THAN 12 NOON OF 7TH MARCH 1949.

6. The Administration reserve the right to reject without assigning reasons, any or every tender.

P. A. F. CORY.
Chief Operating Supdt.

Madras, 10-2-1949. 3375

PUBLIC NOTICES

BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY.

Hydraulic Engineer's Department

TENDERS

BY ORDER of the Municipal Commissioner, the Hydraulic Engineer invites tenders for the work of repairing leaks along the Municipal Duct line.

Forms obtainable from the Hydraulic Engineer's Office Improvement Trust Building, Napier Road, Fort, Bombay at Rs. 5/- per copy, not refundable. Money order or cash only. Closing date 4th March, 1949, at 1 p.m. (B.T.).

THE TENDERERS ARE REQUESTED TO QUOTE THEIR RATES EXCLUSIVE OF SALES TAX WHICH WOULD BE PAID WHERE ADMISSIBLE.

HYDRAULIC ENGINEER,

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BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY.

AUGMENTATION OF THE CITY'S WATER SUPPLY

VAITARNA-CUM-TANSA SCHEME.

THE SPECIAL ENGINEER invites sealed tenders for the following to be received upto 1.00 p.m. (B.T.) on dates shown against each:—

TENDER NO. 22—Excavation for the main Dam at Vaitarna on 2-3-1949.

TENDER NO. 5—Supply of Locos on 20-5-1949.

TENDER NO. 19—Supply of rolling stock on 20-5-1949.

Tender forms together with specifications, etc. will be available from the Construction Engineer's Office, Ex. Improvement Trust Building, Murzban Road, Fort, Bombay, at Rs. 5|- each, not refundable. The forms will not be sent by post.

By Order of the
MUNICIPAL COMMISSIONER.

Municipal Offices,
Fort, Bombay,
Date, 15-2-1949.

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LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that INDIAN TILES and FIRE BRICK WORKS, LIMITED, a Joint Stock Company, registered under the Indian Companies Act, and having its Registered Office at Dadar has contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client.

All persons having any claim against or to the said property by way of inheritance, mortgage, sale, gift, lease, lien, charge, trust, maintenance, easement or otherwise howsoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at Hamam House, Hamam Street, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claim and the same, if any, will be considered waived.

THE SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY:—

All that vacant piece or parcel of pension and tax land or ground, situate, lying and being at Portuguese Church Road, Dadar, outside the Fort of Bombay, in the Registration Sub-District of Bombay, in the Island of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 1370 Square yards out of a larger piece of land, admeasuring 2540 square yards registered in the books of the Collector of Land Revenue under New Survey No. 1609 and Cadastral Survey No. 1|117 of Mahim Division and in the books of the Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under G Ward Nos. 4510(1), 4510(1AA) and Street Nos. 870, 870AA and bounded as follows: on or towards the East by proposed Road, on or towards the West by the Factory Premises of the Vendors, on or towards the North by the property of Antonie De'Souza on or towards the South by the property of Jehangir Dossabhai Andheria.

Dated this 16th day of February, 1949.

AMIN DESAI & NANAVATI,
Purchasers' Attorneys.

(3376)

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REQUISITION ORDER SET ASIDE

(Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Tendolkar)

Mathuradas Iwarkadas and another ..... Petitioners.

Vs

The Province of Bombay .... Respondent.

The petitioners had purchased a building known as "Mukund Nivas" at Gamdevi with the intention of occupying one floor for their own use. The petitioners accordingly obtained an ejectment decree against one of their tenants Mrs Karanjawalla. On 31st July 1948 on which date Mrs. Karanjawalla handed over possession, the premises were requisitioned and allotted to Mrs. Karanjawalla who reoccupied the flat. The petitioners thereupon applied for a writ of certiorari quashing the requisition order. At the hearing of this petition Mrs. Karanjawalla was allowed to appear at her own risk as to costs.

Setting aside the requisition order and granting the rel prayed for by the petitioners, his lordship held that the floor in question did not come within the definition of "premises" in the Requisition Act, since the conduct of the petitioners showed that they were not "let or intended to be let" but were intended to be occupied by the petitioners personally.

Sir Jamshedji Kanga and Mr. R. J. Kolah instructed by Messrs. Romer Dadachanji and Sethna appeared for the petitioners.

Mr. M P. Amin instructed by Messrs. Little and Co. appeared for the Government.

Mr. H.D Banaji instructed by Messrs. Gagrat and Co. appeared for the allottee.

The appeal filed by Government against this decision has been fixed for hearing on 8th March 1949.

Kerosene For Scarcity Areas

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

Representatives of oil companies in Bombay met Mr. Dinkerrao Desai, Minister for Civil Supplies, Bombay, and are learnt to have discussed measures to expedite the supply of Kerosene and diesel oil to scarcity areas in the province

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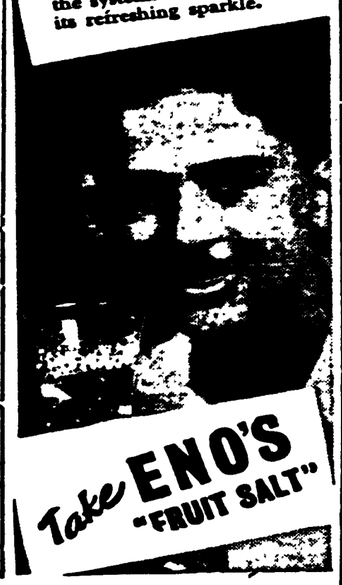

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CITY & SUBURBS

To-day

Hindu Magh Vad 5, 2005.
Muslim Rabi-ul-Akher 18, 1368.
Parsi Shehrever 18, 1318.
Sunrise: 7-6 a.m. Sunset: 6-40 p.m.
Highside: 02-31, 15-04.
Lowside: 08-50, 20-54.
MUNICIPAL CORPORATION. 3 p.m. (B. T.).

To-day's Engagements

M. N. ROY'S LECTURE. Sjt M. N. Roy on 'Politics for our Times' today at 6 p.m., in the C. L. Boys' High School, Dadar.

SOCIETY OF MODEL ENGINEERS: Display of technical and scientific films, B. E. S. T. Conference Hall, 6-30 p.m.

KARNATAK SANGH. Party to Mr. Joachim Alva, Sheriff, Cama Hall, 6 p.m.

MUNICIPAL COMMISSIONER'S ROUND: The Municipal Commissioner will meet the elected members of Ward No. 10 tomorrow (Friday), at 8-30 a.m. (B. T.), at the Princess Street Junction Grigaum Road, and go round with them in the Ward.

HINDUSTANI NIGHT CLASSES: On every Thursday and Monday, from 8-30 p.m. to 10 p.m., Hindustani Classes will be conducted by Hindustani Prachar Sabha at the Vithalbhai Patel Road Municipal Gujerati Boys' School (opp. Sikka Nagar). The classes will work on Saturdays from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. for women.

SHOPS ACT TO BE APPLIED TO SANGLI

The Government of Bombay has directed that all the provisions of the Bombay Shops and Establishments Act, 1948, shall come into force in Sangli Municipal area on March 1, 1949.

DRUGS ACTS AND RULES

Copies of the Drugs Act and Rules made thereunder are available at the Book Depot, Government Central Press, Charni Road, Bombay.

BOMBAY BAN ON WEAPONS EXTENDED

The Bombay ban on the carrying of weapons, corrosive substances or explosives in a public place has been extended up to March 17, 1949.

Water Supply From Malabar Hill Reservoir

Due to the periodical cleaning of the Malabar Hill Reservoir from 21-2-49 to 24-2-49 the water supply to the following areas will be slightly affected:—

(1) Colaba, (2) Fort, (3) Dhobi Talao, (4) Kalbadevi, (5) Thakurdwar, (6) Girgaum, (7) Malabar Hill, (8) Cumballa Hill, (9) Tardeo and (10) Lamington Road.

Afghan Journalist Arriving In City

Mr. Mohmed Hassim Maiwandwal, the editor of Daily "Anis" of Kabul, who is touring this country as a guest of the Government of India, will arrive in Bombay, by air, at noon, at Santa Cruz, on Thursday, February 17. The visit of Mr. Maiwandwal has been sponsored with a view to promoting Indo-Afghan cultural relations.

Radio

BOMBAY, Thursday, Feb. 17

244 m. (1,231 kc/s)
31.41 m. (9,550 kc/s)

7-30 a.m. V. Devasthali 7-40 Sudhama Divetia 7-50 News (G) 8-00 News (E) 8-15 Amir Baksh 8-30 G. N. Joshi 9-00 Close down.

244 m. (1231 kc/s)
41.44 m. (7,240 kc/s)

12-30 p.m. Bhavgeeten 12-50 News (G) 12-55 Vanita Mandal (in Marathi for women) 1-25 Musical Interlude 1-30 News (E) 1-40 Lunch Hour Music 2-30 Close down.

244 m. (1,231 kc/s)
31.41 m. (9,550 kc/s) till 7-45 p.m.
41.44 m. (7,240 kc/s) from 8-00 p.m.

5-00 p.m. V. G. Burli 5-15 Lilavati B. Balbackar 5-30 Children's Half Hour (English) 6-00 News (E) 6-10 Interlude and Programme Summary 6-15 Ghazal Aur Geet 6-30 V. G. Burli 6-45 Durgaram 7-00 Topic of the Day 7-10 Local Announcements and Weather Report 7-15 Lilavati H. Balbackar 7-30 Guest Night (Gujarati) 7-45 Film music 8-00 Jaivantidevi Hirebet 8-15 News (G) 8-30 V. Devasthali 8-45 Sushama Divetia 9-00 News (E) 9-15 Balbani Varaganth 9-30 B. B. C. News Relay 9-40 Anything Goes 9-45 Sports Folio (Review in English) 10-00 Luise Vajid Mahmood—Piano 10-30 Unrehearsed (A detective play) 11-00 Close down.

VARIATIONS.

353 m. (850 kc/s)
41.44 m. (7,240 kc/s)

7-30 a.m. News (Kannada) 7-40 News (M) 7-50 Durgaram 8-00 Prem Sudha-barsao 8115 News (H) 9-00 Close down.

353 m. (850 kc/s)
31.41 m. (9,550 kc/s)

12-45 p.m. News (M) 12-50 Sarangi Recital 1-25 News (H) 1-30 Swar Vilas 1-40 Musical Interlude 1-45 M. G. Rangnekar Krut Geeten 2-00 Radio Forum 2-15 Bhavgeeten 2-30 Close down.

353 m. (850 kc/s)
41.44 m. (7,240 kc/s) till 7-30 p.m.
61.48 m. (4,880 kc/s) from 7-45 p.m.

6-00 p.m. Azim Khan 6-10 News (H) 6-15 Calling Rural Listeners 7-15 News (Kannada) 7-45 Commercial News 8-00 News (M) 8-14 V. G. Burli 9-00 S. K. Abhyankar 9-15 News (H) 9-30 Yeh Bhigi Bhigi 10-00 G. N. Joshi 10-30 Sushama Divetia 10-45 Amir Bax.

BARODA.

1250 m. (1200 kc/s)

7-30 a.m. Vadya Sangeet 7-50 News (G) 8-0 News (E) 8-15 Trilok Khajanchi (Geeten) 8-30 Somabhai Mistry (Sitar) 8-45 Suman Banawalikar (Vocal) 9-0 News (E) 9-10 Locals 9-15 For Rural Areas (Relayed from Bombay) 5-35 Somabhai Mistry (Sitar) 5-45 Narayaniai Arya (Vocal) 7-0 Suman Banawalikar (M. songs) 7-15 Kalapi Krut Gazals (S. Dave) 7-30 Narayaniai Arya (Thumri) 7-45 Topic of Day 7-55 Musical Interlude 8-0 Ramaniai Dave (G. Geeto) 8-15 News (G) 8-30 National Programme (Relayed from Delhi) 9-0 News (E) 9-15 Apni Farmaish 9-45 Somabhai Mistry (Sitar).

MOLASSES UNDER PROHIBITION

Committee Considers Different Issues

The Molasses Sub-Committee of the Provincial Prohibition Board, which met today under the chairmanship of Dr. M. D. D. Gilder, Minister for Health and Public Works, considered at length the different Rules regarding the control and regulation of Molasses under the proposed new Prohibition Act. Mr. L. M. Patil, Minister for Excise and Reconstruction, attended.

The Committee decided to suggest certain amendments to these Rules, under the Act relating to the working of the various sugar factories in the Province, so that they do not hamper the smooth working of the factories.

The Committee consisting of Dr. M. P. Kanga, Director of Industries, Dr. H. S. Mahal, Chemical Analyser to the Government of Bombay and Rao Bahadur A. G. Gokhale, Superintendent, Government Central Distillery, Nasik, was appointed to consider in collaboration with the management of sugar factories, certain technical and scientific points as regards the storage, utilization and distribution of Molasses.

SEVA SADAN'S MANIFOLD WELFARE ACTIVITIES

Appeal For Public Help To Meet Ever Growing Expenditure

The following is the summary of the 14th annual report of the Seva Sadan Society adopted at the annual general meeting held on 23rd December, 1948.

The decrease in interest of our investments and the persistent inflation in prices all round, has made finance a very acute problem and in some ways the work has been adversely affected thereby.

The total number of the inmates in the different ashrams of the Society was 43 at the end of June — 33 Hindus and 10 Jains. All the inmates are either prosecuting their studies in the different educational departments or working in the industrial departments of the Society.

The Marathi Primary Training College of the Society prepares teachers for primary schools.

The Practising school of the Society is a necessary adjunct of the Training College. This school teaches upto Marathi Std. VII and prepares girls for the P.S.L.C. examination. In addition to the teaching of English, singing is introduced in all classes. Hindi and needle work are specially attended to in Stds. V, VI. VII. The number of students at the end of June was 372. The result of the P.S.L.C. examination was satisfactory.

AN APPEAL

Both the college and school have no permanent endowment fund and have to depend upon public donations. Financially we are far from being secure. Without enlisting public co-operation it is not possible to carry on the work of training efficient teachers in the progressive manner we wish to do. We earnestly hope that help will be forthcoming to a larger extent to meet the ever growing expenditure.

The Society runs home classes for women who cannot attend regular schools and yet want to learn English and take up useful domestic arts.

INDUSTRIAL SECTION

Cutting and sewing, embriodery, hosiery and laundry are among the subjects taught to those women who want to learn only; for others who have to earn a living, we have separate cookery, laundry and hosiery departments of work.

M. S. TEACHERS' CONFERENCE

The Maharashtra Secondary Teachers' Conference convened by the Poona Secondary Teachers' Association will be held at Poona on 21st and 22nd inst., under the presidentship of Prof. N. B. Phathak, at N. M. V. High School, Poona.

WEATHER

WEATHER SUMMARY

POONA, Feb. 16. (API). The following is the daily weather summary for Wednesday, the 16th February 1949.

WEATHER HAS BEEN GENERALLY DRY OVER THE COUNTRY.

Night temperatures were appreciably below normal in Vindhya Pradesh, Chota Nagpur, Orissa and in and near the Central Provinces.

FORECAST VALID UNTIL THE EVENING OF 17TH:—Weather will be mainly dry over the country. No large change in temperatures is expected.

WEATHER CHART

POONA, Feb. 16. (API): The following is the daily weather chart showing the maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches during the past 24 hours from 1st December 1948 and departure from normal recorded at 8 hours (IST) on 16th February 1949.

Ahmedabad 91 64 0 0 minus 0.1 Ambala 46 0 4.3 plus 0.7 Anantapur 89 68 0 0.1 minus 0.6 Bangalore 84 61 0 0.5 minus 0.2 Baroda 95 60 0 0.1 0 Belgaum 87 58 0 0.1 minus 0.3 Bombay 87 70 0 0 minus 0.3 Calcutta 82 59 0 0.1 minus 1.1 Calicut 89 71 0 0.6 minus 0.8 Delhi 75 46 0 0.9 minus 1.1 Hyderabad (Dn) 88 59 0 0 minus 0.8 Indore 82 53 0 0.2 minus 0.3 Jaipur 76 45 0 0.6 minus 0.3 Jubbulpore 81 45 0 0.4 minus 1.2 Kanpur (UP) 77 48 0 1.3 plus 0.1 Kolhapur 90 61 0 0 Lucknow 76 49 0 1.5 0 Madras 85 70 0 1.7 minus 5.4 Mahabaleshwar 80 59 0 0 minus 0.5 Mangalore 89 71 0 0 minus 0.7 Mussorie 63 Ootacamund 68 37 0 1.0 minus 2.1 Rajkot 92 67 0 0 minus 0.2 Shillong 63 43 0 2.3 plus 1.0 Sholapur 91 65 0 0 minus 0.6 Simla 52 43 0 5.5 0 Surat 98 65 0 0.1 minus 0.2.

AMERICAN WOMEN'S CLUB DANCE

'Show Boat' And Cabaret At Taj On March 8

The American Women's Club of Bombay is getting ready once again to launch its annual drive for funds. Every year about this time, the energetic young women of the American community gather themselves together for an all- out effort in the cause of deserving Indian charities, which receive sizeable donations according to their needs, without regard to caste or creed.

Last year, as a result of the Club's efforts, a sum of Rs. 70,000 was donated to sixty diferent charitable institutions. To mention a few, the Edulji Framjee Albless Leper Home at Trombay, The Marathi T. B. Hospital, the Institute for Deaf Persons and Mutes.

Since the club was founded in 1928, a similar amount has been donated every year, dependent on the money collected at the annual dances. This year's dance will be held at the Taj on March 8 and promises to be a gala affair. The theme of the dance will be "Show Boat" and the cabaret will be provided by members of the American Women's Club. Tickets can be purchased now from any club member and will be on sale at the National City Bank of New York from February 28.

FAMINE RELIEF PROGRAMME

A comprehensive programme of 135 relief works costing Rs. 20.85 lakhs and providing employment to about 11,000 persons has been undertaken by the P.W. Department under orders of the Government in order to provide employment to people in famine-stricken areas. These include 18 works for Baroda District, 87 for Mehsana, 23 for Amreli and 7 for Okhamandal district. 31 works have alread commenced and 7 are almost completed. In addition to these, relief works have also been started by Local Boards and Village Panchayats. The approximate period for which these works are expected to last is six months, i.e. upto July by which time regular monsoon will set in. Thus the above mentioned number of people will get employment from these works upto July. A programme of additional works is also being worked out and will be put into operation at an appropriate time.

In carrying out these programmes, it is found that labourers are not coming forward in sufficient numbers to take advantage of these relief measures even in areas where conditions are bad. This is believed to be due to their employment in agricultural operations which are still in progress. There is expected to be a keen demand for employment after a month or so when these operations cease.

The Public Works Department has appealed to the public workers and others interested in alleviating famine distress to extend their co-operation and inform the Department about relief needed in a particular area so that prompt arrangements could be made.

CHARITY CONCERT

The Society for Rehabilitation of Disabled and Crippled Children has rendered invaluable service by establishing a clinic at Marine Drive where the poor victims of infantile paralysis get competent treatment. The funds and entertainment sub-committee is making collections and under the patronage of H. E. the Governor, they have arranged on orchestral concert on Monday (28th inst.) at 6-30 p.m at the C. J. Hall, when Rani Maharaj Singh will be present.

An excellent programme has been arranged and all the best and most popular talent of Bombay have responded to the call. Works by Brahms, Bach, Cesar Frank and Haydn figure amongst others on this all star cast programme. Tickets are available at S. Rose & Co.

Demand For Separate Electorates Opposed

A meeting was held at Bara Imam Road under the auspices of Jamiat-ul-Ulema Branch No. 1 Moulana Abdul Aziz Bihari presided.

The President and Moulana Mohammed Ismail, M.L.A. (U.P.) spoke on the present political situation. Thereafter Hakim Azami (The Secretary) moved the following resolution.

"This meeting of Jamiat-ul-Ulema expresses a deep sense of hatred and detestation towards the demand for separate electorate for Muslims of India by the Working Committee of Indian Muslim League. This demand indicates the morbid state of the mind of Mr. Mohammed Ismail (The President of Indian Muslim League) and is fatal to the interests of the Muslims in India.

The two-nation theory has vanished after the revolution of 15th August, and the question of separate electorates has perished with it.

"This meeting draws the attention of the Government to the fact that such communalistic resolutions are in no way the resolution of the Muslim masses".

This resolution was carried unanimously in the meeting. It was further resolved that a copy of the above resolution should be forwarded to the Prime Minister of Madras and to the Prime Minister of Indian Union, Hon. Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru.

Spring Festival Of Bhagini Samaj

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

The six-day spring festival programme arranged by the Bhagini Samaj was inaugurated today at the Harijan Welfare Center with dances, 'garbba' and other entertainment programme by children.

The high light of the programme is the Arts and Crafts Exhibition, which will be opened on Friday, 18th instant, Rani Maharaj Singh at the Vanita Vishram gardens Mr. V. L. Mehta, Finance Minister to the Government of Bombay, will speak on the life of Gopal Krishna Gokhale on that occasion.

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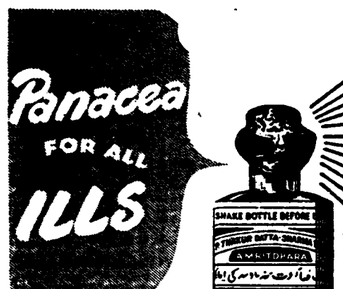

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HELP INDIA IN HER INDUSTRIALIZATION

Saksena's Plea To America

NEW YORK, Feb. 15 (P.T.I.-Reuter): Assistance to India by the United States in her industrialisation and economic rehabilitation plans was urged tonight by Mr. R. A. Saksena, Indian Consul-General.

Such assistance, taking the long-range view, would be to the mutual benefit of both countries, he declared in a lecture at the Asia Institute.

Speaking on "Economic Potential of India", Mr. Saksena said, "The magnitude of the task which confronts the Government of India, headed by the most trusted leaders is colossal.

"They have to raise the standards of living of the people, improve existing social service and provide new ones.

"This task, difficult of achievement in the best of times has been further aggravated on account of the influx of about five million refugees from Pakistan, the inflationary trend of prices and continuing scarcity of food.

NUMBER OF PLANS

The Indian Consul-General went on: "It is a tribute to the Government of India that during the eighteen months of their life they have succeeded not only in surmounting these difficulties and keeping the ship of state on an even keel, but have even expanded industrial production and made plans for self-sufficiency in food and utilisation of the industrial potential of the country.

"These plans involve construction of dams for production of electric energy and supply of water for purpose of irrigation, improvement and expansion of railway transport and establishment of industries, including steel, fertilisers, shipbuilding, heavy chemicals and machine tools.

"The implementation of these plans involve expenditure of several thousand million dollars.

"These have to been earned primarily through our export which we are trying in every possible way to encourage," he said.

Mr. Saksena said it would assist India "a great deal" if the necessary stimulus for buying Indian products were given due emphasis.

This would enable India to obtain the dollar exchange required for the purchase of essential capital equipment in the United States, he added.

"Our requirements, however, are so large that exports alone will not bring all the dollars we need.

"The Government of India, the Consul-General said, have, therefore, recently announced various concessions in the form of income tax exemption, higher depreciation of plant and equipment and reduced import duties on machinery and stores with a view to encourage foreign investments in industrial undertakings in India.

"It must be fully appreciated that any benefits which India received in the form of loans and investments and which help in raising the purchasing power of over three hundred million people will eventually lead to increased employment and continuance of conditions of prosperity and peace".

Blockade Of Vietminh-Held Areas

PARIS, Feb. 15, (PTI-Reuter): M. Leon Pignon, French High Commissioner for Indo-China, has decided to enforce an armed blockade of areas held by Vietminh (Indo-Chinese) nationalists forces, agence Europeenne de Press reported from Saigon tonight.

The report added that French troops had been ordered to fire on any vessels trying to leave the Plaine des Jones main resistence centre in Cochin-China.

The High Commissioner and the army, accord ing to this report, are determined to prevent the Government of Dr. Ho Chi Minh, Vietminh leader, from either receiving supplies or exporting.

Life Sentence On Czech Ex-Army Official

PRAGUE, Feb. 15 (PTI-Reuter): General Rajmund Marzek, 53-year-old retired Czechoslovak army officer, was today sentenced to life imprisonment by the Military Senate of the State Court here, on charges of anti-state activity.

General Marzek was convicted of having passed military information to agents of foreign powers.

The indictment named especially Sir R. H. Bruce Lockhart, identified as a British Intelligence Agent.

Ceylon's Sterling Assets With Britain

COLOMBO, Feb. 15 (PTI—Reuter)—The agreement signed between Britain and Ceylon on April 30 last year, freeing upto £8,500,000 Ceylon's blocked sterling assets will be extended until April 30 this year as a result of recent talks here, it was revealed today.

The agreement was to have ended in December.

Further talks will take place before the present extended agreement ends.

Ceylon's total sterling assets on March 1, 1948, amounted to £ 51 million.

'EASTERN' MAYOR OF BERLIN TO VISIT KREMLIN

BERLIN Feb. 15 (P.T.I.-Reuter): Berlin's "Eastern" Mayor, Herr Friedrich Ebert, is to visit Moscow shortly at the invitation of the Kremlin, the French—Licensed "Der Kurier" reported to-day.

BOMBAY GOVERNMENT'S ROADS CONSTRUCTION

As a part of the Government of Bombay's five-year plan for road development 114 out of a total of 242 road works have been constructed at a cost of Rs. 17,56,807.

PONDICHERRY, Feb. 15 (UPI)—The order of expulsion passed on Mr. J. A. Downing, a Briton, some months ago, has been cancelled by the French India Government.

11 Lakhs For Gandhi Fund

BOMBAY, Feb. 15. (A.P.I.): A sum of over Rupees 11 lakhs has been contributed by tohe Sugar factories in the Deccan to the Mahatma Gandhi National Memorial Fund.

IN TAMILNAD.

MADRAS, Feb. 15 (A.P.I.): Collections to the Mahatma Gandhi National Memorial Fund in Tamilnad upto January 31 totalled Rs 26,19,682 out of this amount Rs. 4,77,466 has been contributed by Government servants.

ANDHRA P. C. C. EXECUTIVE

NEW DELHI, Feb. 16 (UPI): Prof. N. G. Ranga, President, Andhra Provincial Congress Committee, announces that the Working Committee of A. P. C. C. will be meeting at Madras on the 21st. He is reaching Madras by 21st evening.

He has suggested to Sri Kamraj Nadar, President, Tamilnad Congress, that the two D C Cs. functioning in the Madras City to arrange a joint public meeting so that Sardarjee can give his message on the same occasion to both Andhras and Tamilian masses.

It is learnt that Sri T. Prakasam, the ex-Premier of Madras, will also be reaching Madras on the same occasion.

No Trace Of Mahatma's Gold Medal

NEW DELHI, Feb. 15 (UPI)—The Kaiser-i-Hind gold medal, which was awarded to Mahatma Gandhi for his humanitarian services in South Africa but was returned by him on August 1, 1920, when the first non-co-operation movement was launched by him in India, cannot be traced any more. It is learnt that the medal was sent by then Government to the Mint for being melted.

Registration Of Qualified Refugees

Upto to the end of December, 1948, the Special Employment Bureau, Directorate-General of Resettlement and employment, Ministry of Labour, registered 2,359 highly qualified refugees such as lawyers, doctors, professors, school-masters, journalists, engineers, architects, accountants, statisticians, graduates of commerce, economics and science, zoologists, microbiologists, factory managers and others with high technical or academic qualifications and administrative experience. Of this number, 435 persons, including 23 women, have been placed in employment upto the end of December, 1948.

The Ministry of Home Affairs was induced to take over a 100 young lawyers and graduates, registered with the Special Employment Bureau, as trainees with a view to appointing them as Assistants in the various departments of the Government of India. They have completed their training and have already been absorbed.

S. Korea's Application For U. N. Membership

Warren Austin Disputes Soviet Charges

LAKE SUCCESS, Feb. 15. (P.T.I.-Reuter): Against the votes of Russia and the Ukraine, the United Nations Security Council to-night decided to pass South Korea's application for membership of the United Nations to the Membership Committee.

Before the vote, Mr. Warren Austin (United States) disputed a Soviet charge that the recent elections in U.S occupied South Korea were "utterly falsified" and that the South Korean Government was a "puppet regime bolstered by the bayonets of the occupation forces."

M. Jacob Malik, who made the Soviet charge, also said the regime in South Korea was set up by America to bolster their monopolists and turn South Korea into an imperialist-militarist base for the United States."

He recalled that the elections in that territory were observed by the United Nations and that the General Assembly had given its blessings to the South Korean Government.

"The General Assembly resolution is a complete answer to the story we have heard to-day," he said.

On the proposal of the President Dr. T. F. Tsiang (China) the Council decided by a vote of nine against two (Russia and the Ukraine) to pass the membership application of South Korea to the Membership Committee.

When the Council passed on to the application for membership of the "Democratic Popular Government of Korea" (North Korea), Mr. Warren Austin immediately objected on a point of order.

He said the General Assembly had decided that the only representative government in Korea was the one in the south.

The Security Council could, therefore, not take any other action.

M. Malik made a lengthy defence of the North Korean body, claiming it was the only "democratic" government in the country.

The General Assembly's resolution to which Mr. Austin referred, he said, was based on the findings of the "Little Assembly" which was an illegally constituted body in the United Nations.

The Security Council adjourned till to-morrow.

CLOSE CO-OPERATION BETWEEN TUDEH AND KREMLIN

TEHERAN, Feb. 15 (PTI—Reuter)—The Persian Government has informed the Soviet Embassy here, that statements made in the Majlis (Parliament) on the recent attempt to assassinate the Shah originated in a diary found on the would-be, assassin and did not express the Persian Government's views.

A Government 'comunique' today said the diary of the assailant, Fakher Rai, stressed close co-operation between the Persian leftist Tudeh Party and the Kremlin.

The source of the statement was clarified in an aide memoire delivered to the Soviet Embassy yesterday, the 'communique' added.

Mrs. O'Keefe Seeks Injunction

MELBOURNE, Feb. 15 (PTI—Reuter)—Solicitors for Mrs. Anne O'Keefe Indonesian wife of an Australian with her eight children has been ordered to leave Australia by Feb. 28, today issued a writ claiming she is a British subject and that the Immigration had no power to deport her.

The writ, which named Australian Immigration Minister Arthur Calwell and the Commonwealth of Australia as defendants, sought an injunction preventing her deportation, and that the Immigration Department had no power to deport her.

MADRAS MUNICIPAL STAFF TO BE RETRENCHED

MADRAS, February 15 (U.P.I.): With a view to cut down the mounting administrative expenditure and balance the budget for the ensuring financial year, the Madras City Corporation this evening set up a committee to go into the question of effecting retrenchment of the staff.

PATNA COLLEGES TO BE OPENED

PATNA, February 15 (U.P.I.): In view of the reasonable gesture given by all the students and their guardians and a favourable change in the attitude of students in general, the Chancellor of the Patna University has ordered that colleges, which were closed on January 20, 1949, should be re-opened from February 21, 1949.

CASH REWARD FOR GALLANTRY

The Government of Bombay has decided to pay, through the Provincial Sailors' and Airmen's Board, a cash reward of Rs. 5,500 to Naik Daulatrao Hari Pawar, 2/5 Maratha Light Infantry, who has been awarded the I.D.S.M., being the difference between the amount which he is entitled to receive under the Government's scheme of cash awards to servicemen hailing from the Deccan States, except Kolhapur, who have been awarded decorations for gallantry in the field, and the amount he received from Phaltan State.

Under the Bombay Government's scheme, Naik D. H. Pawar is entitled for a cash reward of Rs. 7,500, while the Phaltan State had paid him Rs 2,000.

LONDON, Feb. 15 (UPI)—America may soon take over trusteeship of Tripolitina, the western part of Libya, according to the Washington correspondent of the 'Daily Express'.

DR. KOO CONFERS WITH ACHESON

Negotiations with Reds Discussed

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15 (PTI-Reuter)—Dr. V. K. Wellington Koo, the Chinese Ambassador here, today told Mr. Dean Acheson, U.S Secretary of State, that the Chinese Nationalist Government was seeking "peace with freedom" in their negotiations with the Communists.

After a thirty-minute conference with Mr. Acheson, the Chinese Ambassador said: "I came to bring some information to him and to elicit some view of the United States Government.

"I made it clear that while our people are most anxious to see peace brought about, they need peace with freedom, with their political rights safeguarded: not a peace on any terms on which would jeopardise their freedom."

Dr. Koo said he was hoping for optimistic results from the peace negotiations, but, he added:. "The peace talks have been dragging along and I do not see any definite progress being made.

"Our Government have been making very earnest efforts to talk peace for nearly a month."

Sun Fo Denies Rumours About His Resignation

CANTON, Feb. 16, (PTI-Reuter): Chinese Premier Sun Fo today denied report that he had sent his resignation to Acting President, Li Tsung-Jen.

His statement was issued after a three hour Cabinet meeting.

The reports, prevalent yesterday had said he wanted to resigned because "high blood pressure" prevented him from taking an ative part in Government affairs.

WHO ARE RICE-EATERS?

AMBALA, Feb. 16 (UPI)—Bengalis, Bombayites, Kashmiris, Madrasis and Sindhis have been declared as habitual rice-eaters for the purpose of the issue of rice in lieu of wheat atta, says an official announcement.

Natives of Kangra and Simla districts have been declared semi-habitual rice-eaters, the announcement adds.

Every ration depot has been provided with rice but before rice can be issued to anyone, applicant desiring to convert his card from wheat to rice should apply to his ward rationing officer, who has been authorised to take necessary action and earmark the card "habitual rice-eater" or "semi-habitual rice-eater" In every case, however, gram atta program will have to be taken by everyone.

BENELUX ECONOMIC UNION

THE HAGUE, Feb. 16 (UPI): The systematic attempt to rub out Europe's frontiers and trade barriers is about to take a new step forward. The economic Ministers and experts of Holland, Belgium and Luxembourg are meeting here this month to sponsor the next stage of the Benelux economic union.

Their talks will show what chances there are of attaining the ultimate goal—the practical abolition of frontiers between the three countries by January 1950.

Two stages out of five have already been achieved. The three countries have introduced common tariffs for all foreign goods, and they have abolished all tariffs on each other's goods.

Three important stages remain before the frontiers disappear and get back to what they were a hundred years ago. They are—Unification of Excise duties; abolition of all import licences and quotas; and abolition of all currency restrictions.

Brookes Attacks Malan Govt.

"IT HAS TAKEN AFRICA INTO DEADLY PERIL"

CAPETOWN, Feb. 15 (PTI-Reuter) Dr. E. H. Brookes, native representative in the South Africal Senate, called today fodr better relations between the European and non-European population.

Dr. Brookes proposed a motion that "it is the opinion of this House that the future of Africa depends on cordial and cooperative relations between the European and non-European population".

Secondly, "that these relatons have deteriorated considerably as the result of Government propaganda and politics."

Thirdly, "that the improvement of these relations should be the urgent priority in any programme of national policy."

Senator Brookes said that the Opposition's task was to save White South Africa from the "deadly peril" into which the Government was taking it.

Natives wanted co-operation but the Government's policy and propaganda was actually driving a wedge between European and non-European, discouraging every force for co-operation.

The Indians had few friends, the Senator added. They had been divided into sections, one of which stood for co-operation and the other for non-co-operation. In the past year the Government had succeeded in antagoinising those non-European leader who had formerly been its friends. This was the opposite of statesmanlike policy.

He cited what he called an alarming growth of anti-white feeling, which he said, had been shown in recent disturbances.

NAIROBI, (Kenya), Feb. 15 (PTI-Reuter): British settlers in Tanganyika have protested against the recent United Nations trusteeship council proposal that white settlement should be curtailed.

At a big meeting at Arusha, northern Tanganyika, they urged the Colonial Secretary Mr. Arthur Creech-Jones, and the Tanganyika Government to implement statements to the utmost, providing that the interests of African peoples are protected.

The settlers complained that the present land tenure system, whereby the longest lease of Grown land is 30 years, was an inadequate basis for stable European land settlement and that the whole situation from the viewpoint of European farmers in Tanganyika was insecure.

PRINCE SHOT DEAD BY DUTCH

For Refusing To Haul Down Indonesian Flag

CANBERRA, Feb. 15 (PTI—Reuter)—Reports from Central Java said the Dutch had imprisoned the Mayor of Solo for refusing to co-operate, and that Prince Suryohamidjoyo, also of Solo, was shot when he refused to haul down the Indonesian flag, according to Dr. Usman Indonesian Republican representative in Australia.

CALL TO IMPERIALISTS

LONDON, Feb. 15 (PTI—Reuter)—The Congress of Peoples against Imperialism called today for the withdrawal of British forces from Malaya and Dutch troops from Indonesia.

U. N. Commission For Jeddah

CAIRO, Feb. 16 (PTI-Reuter): The United Nations Palestine Conciliation Commission—representing the United States, France and Turkey—was leaving for Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, today after 4 days' stay here.

In a Communique the Commission said the members had got "a clear idea of Egypt's point of view" in talks with the Egyptian Government "in a spirit of great cordiality and frankness".

PAKISTAN'S INTEREST IN HYDERABAD CONTINUES

(From Our Correspondent.)

KARACHI, (By Air Mail).

Although the question of Hyderabad State is now almost settled and the Government of India are now in full possession of it, Pakistanis continue to have interest in it one way or the other.

Besides showing anxiety over the detention of Mir Laik Ali and his Ministers and spreading alarmist reports about their ill-treatment, they have now shown considerable interest in Sayed Kassim Rizvi, Mr. A. M. Qureshi, President of the Karachi City Muslim League has approached the Pakistan Government to ask the Government of India to allow special Pakistani Doctors for the treatment of this well-known Razakar Dictator. Moreover, efforts are being made to engage Special Ccunsels for their Defences when they are put up before the Courts.

TROUBLE AHEAD FOR PIR ILLAHI BUX

Semi official circles indicate that as soon as a new administration for Sind is established, either through a new Ministry or the Governor's Raj, special enquiry will be conducted for the acts of commission and omission of Pir Illahi Bakhsh, who has just relinquished the Premiership and who ruled the province for about an year after the dismissal of Mr. Khuhro.

Besides this enquiry, it is learnt, Pir Illahi Bakhsh and two other Election Agents of Kazi Mohomed Akbar will also be prosecuted in a Court of Law for procuring false votes during the last Sind Assembly Elections on the strength of the finding of the Special Election Tribunal.

NO PLACE FOR SETTLING MORE REFUGEES IN SIND.

Although it was officially announced recently that over eight lakh Hindus (according to Government of India 12 lakhs) have migrated from Sind and in their place over six and a half lakh refugees have been rehabilitated, the Government of Sind have now, through a Press note, announced that there is no place for any more refugees to be settled in the province. The Press note has also warned the refugees not to move from one district to another of their own accord otherwise all the Government help to them will be stopped.

VICIOUS PROPAGANDA.

Vicious propaganda to sabotage the agreement arrived at between the Governments of India and Pakistan on the question of Evacuee Properties has been started here by the Pakistan Press (including the semi-official organ 'Dawn') asking the Muslims in general not to purchase the properties owned by the Hindu evacuees since ultimately these are to remain in Pakistan for the use of Muslims only.

Some of the moderate papers, have, however asked its Muslim readers not to give higher bids when they come to know that any Muslim purchaser is already in the field. The result is that the prices of buildings obtainable even in the big cities today are not more than 4 to 8 annas in a rupee compared to those prevalent prior to the establishment of Pakistan.

In rural areas, the prices, if at all obtainable, are much lower than the above since there are very few buyers of such properties. Moreover, the rural property owner has to pass through many hurdles including the risk of his life and of being looted when he has any cash with him.

PROGRESS OF EMPLOYMENT EXCHANGE

435 Highly Qualified Refugees Secured Jobs Within 3 Months

The Regional P. R. O., Directorate of Resettlement, Bombay, writes:—

Up to the end of December, 1948, the Special Employment Bureau, Directorate-General of Resettlement and Employment, Ministry of Labour, registered 2,359 highly qualified refugees such as lawyers, doctors, professors, school-masters, journalists, engineers, architects, accountants, statisticians, graduates of commerce economics and science, zoologists, microbiologists, factory managers and others with high technical or academic qualifications and administrative experience. Of the number, 435 persons, including 23 women, have been placed in employment upto the end of December, 1948.

The Ministry of Home Affairs was induced to take over a hundred young lawyers and graduates, registered with the Special Employment Bureau, as trainees with a view to appointing them as Assistants in the various departments of the Government of India. They have completed their training and have already been absorbed.

With a view to using all the available avenues of employment for highly qualified refugees, the Special Employment Bureau has been forwarding, from time to time, graded lists of registrants to all the Provincial and State Governments, the Ministers in the Central Government and to important private firms The Director of the Bureau has been visiting the more important employment centres outside Delhi with a view to securing employment for highly qualified refugees.

It will be recalled that the Special Employment Bureau was set up in March, 1948, by the Ministry of Relief and Rehabilitation with a view to providing a suecial employment agency for highly educated non-Government service displaced personnel from Pakistan. In July, 1948, the Special Employment Bureau was transferred to the administrative control of the Directorate-General of Resettlement and Employment, Ministry of Labour.

With a view to securing the maximum benefit out of the Special Employment Bureau, it has been decided by the Employment Co-ordination Committee at the instance of the Director-General of Resettlement and Employment, that all Central appointing authorities should be directed to call for nominations simultaneously from the Transfer Bureau of the Ministry of Home Affairs, the Special Employment Bureau and the Employment Exchanges, although, other things being equal, preference may continue to be given to the nominees of the Transfer Bureau. It was also decided to ask the appointing authorities to submit a periodical return showing the nature of vacancies and arrangements made to fill them, so as to ensure that all vacancies are duly notified to the three employment agencies mentioned above.

DACCA, Feb. 15 (UPI)—The Government of East Bengal has promulgated the Eastern Pakistan Rifles Ordinance 1949, changing the nomenclature of "Eastern Frontier Rifles (Bengal Battalion")" to "Eastern Pakistan Rifles", says a press note.

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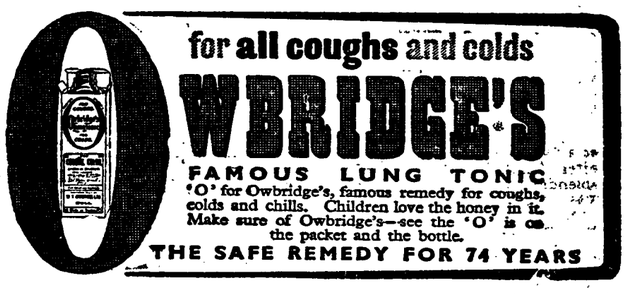

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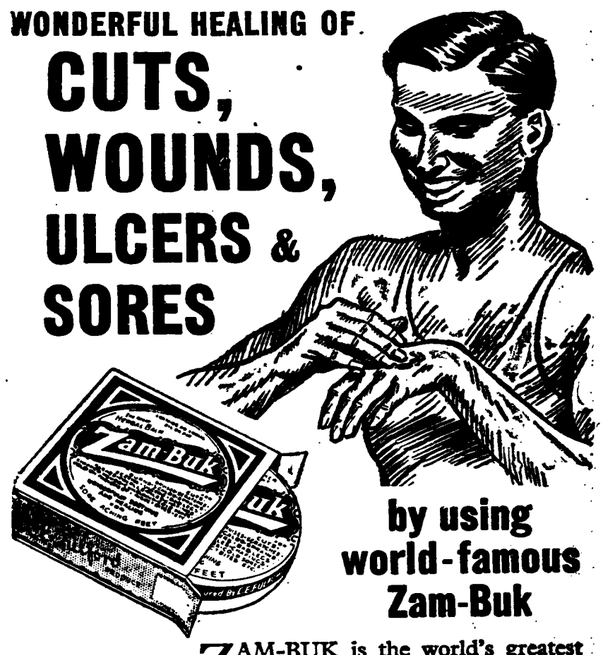

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We have also pleasure to announce that our s.s. "SHEELAVATI" will now regularly ply between Bombay and Konkan ports and Mangalore and Mangalore Line ports. This steamer together with the above two steamers will now be able to maintain regular cargo sailings from Bombay to Mangalore, Karwar, Kumta, Bhatkal and other Kanara ports.

Bombay, 24-1-1949

Fast Scoring By West Indies In Ceylon

CAREW AND WEEKES MISS CENTURIES

GALLE (Ceylon), Feb. 16 (API): The West Indies, having completed their strenuous Indian programme, were in a carefree mood today when they opened their short tour of Ceylon

In a two-day match against Galle Gymkhana Club, the strongest side in Southern Ceylon, the touring team had scored 435 for the loss of 9 wickets by the close of play.

George Carew and Allan Rae laid the foundation by putting on 111 for the opening partnership. Carew also figured in a century stand with Ken Rickards, the pair adding 107 for the second wicket.

Carew was caught and bowled when only 4 short of his century. His innings occupied two hours forty-five minutes and included 10 four. Later Everton Weekes batted in spectacular fashion scoring all round the wicket His 97 was made in 85 minutes and included 14 fours.

After the four hundred had gone up the game took a sensational turn for the West Indies lost 5 wickets for 34 runs including those of Atkinson, Walcott and Christiani.

L. E. DeSoysa was the most successful bowler taking four wickets for 142 runs. Dalpahado was next best with three for 109.

Following are the teams:

WEST INDIES: Goddard, Rae, Carew, Walcott, Weekes, Christiani, Atkinson, Rickards, Cameron, McWatt and Trim.

GALLE GYMKHANA: F. C. De Saram, K. Amarasuriya, L. DeSousa, F. J. De Saram, B. R. Heyn, E. Kelart, B. Navaratne, M. Sathasivam, M. Jayasinghe, J. Nanayakara and F Dalpathado.

Goddard won the toss and elected to bat first on a good wicket in perfect condition. Carew and Rae opened the West Indies innings facing the bowling of Kelart and Dalpathado.

The batsmen were quickly off the mark and 10 went up in as many minutes. In spite of three bowling changes Carew and Rae continued to play delightful attacking cricket sending up 50 in little over half an hour.

Rae was particularly aggressive and carried the score past 80 with a glorious six off Nanayakara. Shortly afterwards he reached his 50, which included seven fours, having been at the wicket just under an hour.

The scoreboard continued to move at a fast rate and the 100 was signalled after 70 minutes play. But 11 runs later splendid partnership ended when Rae was caught at mid-off attempting a hook off the leg spinner DeSousa, who was the fifth bowler to be tried.

Rae had played a masterly innings hitting one six and nine fours during his stay of 79 minutes. When Rickards joined Carew the scoring rate dropped a little. Carew reached his 50 and at lunch he was still there with 60 to his credit. He and Rickards had then added 49 for the second wicket. In the two and quarter hours' play during the morning the touring team had scored 160 runs.

More bright cricket after lunch saw the completion of another century partnership, Carew and Rickards adding 107, before Carew was caught and bowled by DeSouza when only 4 short of his hundred.

Rickards however had had a lucky escape soon after the interval when he was missed at second slip off Kelsart when 20. Carew's chanceless innings occupied two hours forty five minutes and included 10 fours.

Everton Weekes came in to see Rickards enter the fifties.

Weekes proceeded to get down to the scoring right from the start, opening his account with a powerful drive to the ropes. The Ceylon captain tried 6 bowlers in order to check the fast rate of scoring but neither Rickards nor Weekes were ever troubled. The new ball was taken at 223 and the score began to mount even faster. The 300 was registered in 210 minutes, but two runs later the Rickards-Weekes partnership, which had realised 84 runs for the third wicket, was dislodged Rickards snicked a ball from F. J. De Saram into the hands of the wicket keeper Navaratne. Rickards took 125 minutes for his 76 including 9 fours.

Weekes gave a chance at 31 when Dalpathado failed to take a return off his own bowling. Cameron now partnered Weekes who was scoring all round the wicket with a wide variety of strokes, and they took the score past the 350 mark in 235 minutes. The tea interval was taken at 352 for 3, Weekes and Cameron having scored 86 and 17 respectively.

Resuming after tea Cameron had two lives—one at 31 and the other at 34. At 372 Weekes became the second unfortunate batsman to miss his century by a narrow margin when he was clean bowled by Dalpathado. Weekes' innings was spectacular, scoring all round the wicket, his 97 made in 85 minutes and included 14 fours. McWatt joined Cameron to see the 400 going up in 285 minutes. West Indies then lost 2 quick wickets, Cameron leaving at 401 and Atkinson at 422.

Cameron made 40 in 65 minutes with 5 fours. The partnership between him and Weekes added 70 for the fourth wicket. The game took a sensational turn at this stage for three men were sent back to the pavilion for only 13 runs. They were Atkinson, Walcott and Christiani, the latter being out to the last ball of the day with the West Indies score at 435 for 9.

SCORE-BOARD

WEST INDIES (FIRST INNINGS)

G. Carew c and b DeSoyza	96
A. Rae c Navaratne b DeSoyza	70
K. Rickards c Navaratne b De Saram	76
E. Weekes b Dalpathado	97
J. Cameron c Jayasinghe b Dalpathodo	40
McWatt run out	34
D. Atkinson b Dalpathodo	10
C. Walcott st. Navaratne b DeSouza	2
R. Christiani c DeSaram b De Soyza	1
J. Goddard batting	1
Extras	8
Total (for 9 wkts.)	435

BOWLING ANALYSIS

	O	M	R	W
Kelsart	14	2	38	0
Dalpathado	26	2	109	3
F. J. De Saram	9	0	39	1
Nanayakkara	10	1	45	0
De Soyza	34	2	142	4
Jayasinghe	3	0	11	0
Heyn	2	0	26	0
Sathasivam	2	0	16	0

Fall of wickets: 1 for 111; 2 for 218; 3 for 302; 4 for 372; 5 for 401; 6 for 422; 7 for 428; 8 for 432; 9 for 435.

S. Africa's Team For Final Test

JOHANNESBURG, Feb. 16. (PTI-Reuter): The names of twelve South African players invited by the Test selectors to assembly on March 3 at Port Elizabeth, where the fifth Test against England starts on March 5, were announced during the closing stanes of the Fourth Test here today. They are:—

A. Nourse, B. Mitchell, Eric Rowan, K. Viljoen, W. Wade, Athol Rowan, L. Tuckett, L. Markham, N. Mann, C. McCarthy Jack Cheetham and D. Begbie.

A thirteenth player will be invited later.

One of the players who took part in the fourth Test. Harris is omitted, while Cheetham and Begbie are brought in.

Begbie played in the first three Tests. Cheetham has not played in the series. He is an aggressive bat, and scored 68 not out and 17 not out for Western Province when he captained them against the M.C.C. in the first match of the tour.

JOHANNESBURG TEST DRAWN

S. Africa Score 194 For 4 In Second Knock

JOHANNESBURG, Feb. 16. (PTI-Reuter): Declaring their second innings closed with the total at 253 for 7 wickets, England left S. Africa 376 runs to get in 270 minutes to win the fourth Test of the series however, the home side failed to do and the match ended in a 'draw, with South Africa scoring' 194 at close of play with four wickets down.

England is now leading in the rubber with one win, three drawn matches and one Test to go.

When the England innings was resumed there was an obvious desire to score runs quickly and so enable Mann to declare at the earliest possible moment with an idea of forcing victory.

The first half hour produced 40 runs but this hitting out policy cost wickets and both Crapp and Hutton went in that period. Crapp trod on his wicket when attempting to hook a bumper which struck him on the shoulder, while Hutton was clean bowled when eight runs short of his 10,000th run in post-war cricket.

Watkins and Bedser also fell before the declaration was made leaving England 375 ahead with a maximum of four and a half hours left for play.

South Africa's start was not auspicious for them as Bruce Mitchell was brilliantly caught one handed by Compton at backward short leg with only 23 on the board.

Then Eric Rowan, whose first four scoring strokes produced 17 runs and Ken Viljoen held out until lunch.

England's Hopes of forcing a win were checked by Eric Rowan and Ken Viljoen who put on 113 for the second wicket. Then Viljoen just before tea was bowled by Watkins.

Rowan and Viljoen, while not hitting fast enough to give South Africa a win, played the correct type of cricket in the circumstances against bowling that never became loose. In fact a period of maiden overs in the middle of the afternoon took some of the interest from the game as the score fell well behind the clock.

Rowan was not out 60 at tea when South Africa still needed 240 runs in 105 minutes if they were to win.

There was little hope of a definite result as the minutes ticked away and a fifteen minutes hold up for bad light after tea did not help.

Watkins had claimed another wicket just after the last interval when he clean bowled the first innings centurian and South African captain Dudley Nourse for one run but Rowan continued to bat stubbornly. He lost Wade at 182 but then played out time with Harris as his partner and carried his bat for 86.

SCORE-BOARD

ENGLAND (First Innings)	379
SOUTH AFRICA (First Innings) for nine wickets declared	257

ENGLAND (Second Innings)

L. Hutton b A. Rowan	123
Washbrook lbw A. Rowan	31
Compton b Markham	25
Mann lbw A. Rowan	16
Crapp hit wicket b McCarthy	5
Watkins b A. Rowan	10
Bedser b McCarthy	19
C. Gladwin (not out)	7
Extras	17
Total (for seven wickets)	253

FALL OF WICKETS:— 1/77; 2/151, 3/186; 4/204; 5/222; 6/237 and 7/253.

BOWLING ANALYSIS

	O.	M.	R.	W.
McCarthy	12.2	2	50	2
Tuckett	10	0	43	0
A. Rowan	34	10	69	4
Mann	7	0	20	0
Markham	8	0	34	1
Mitchell	7	1	20	0

SOUTH AFRICA (Second Innings)

Mitchell c Compton b Gladwin	6
E. Rowan (not out)	86
K. Viljoe b Watkins	63
Nourse b Watkins	1
Wade lbw b Bedser,	27
Harris (not out)	1
EXTRAS	10
TOTAL (for 4 wkts.)	194

FALL OF WICKETS:— 1/23; 2/136 3/140 and 4/182.

BOWLING ANALYSIS

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Bedser	17	0	54	1
Gladwin	16	6	39	1
Jenkins	9	2	26	0
Compton	9	2	35	0
Young	11	6	14	0
Watkins	3	0	16	2

EUROPEANS SUPERIOR TO AMERICANS IN DISTANCE RUNNING

EAST LANSING, Michigan, (UPA): Arnas Valste, Finnish Olympic track and field coach now in the USA to study American coaching methods, believed that Europeans are superior to Americans in distance-running largely because they are better judges of pace.

"I am very impressed with the speed of the American runners in the indoor meets," he admitted. "But when it comes to long distance running — the 1,000 meters, the mile, the 5,000 meters and the 10,000 meters — the Americans are not as good as the Europeans. I think it is because the Europeans are better masters of pace. They are not so likely to exhaust themselves with too fast a gait in the early part of a race, yet they get the best out of themselves. They do not end a race with unused energy."

He said there is a big difference between Finnish and American methods of coaching, since all Finnish meets are held outdoors in the Spring. In the winter, all Finns ski or ice skate. But in the USA huge arenas and fieldhouses make indoor meets possible, and the track season starts in January. Hence the American coaches and athletes must prepare for a six-month season, or a nine-month season in Olympic years.

Valste makes sure the subject of the Olympics comes up in each conversation, since Finland will be host to the 1952 Summer Games and Valste will be a sort of host. He urges all American coaches to make long-range plans to have their star athletes in peak condition in 1952, so that the Helsinki Games will produce a new corp of records.

The Finn came to East Lansing to see the Michigan State Relays and to renew friendship with Llyod Olds, coach at Michigan Normal College, whom he met in Europe in 1935. Valste saw Holland's Wily Slykhuis lose to Wisconsin's Don Gehrmann in New York late in January, then saw Gehrmann win the mile at the Michigan State Relays in 4:15.2. The American was timed in 4.09.5 when he beat Slykhuis.

"Slykhuis is a better runner," said Valste. "He wasn't in top shape when Gehrmann beat him. If they meets again Willy will win."

Valste said the thing he missed most in his tour of USA track meets was competition in the hammer throw, javelin throw and hop-step-jump, all Finnish specialities. The indoor arens are not big enough for the hammer or javelin, and Americans never have cared for the hop-step-jump, so it is rarely contested.

PHILIPPINES LTAS INVITATION

Naresh Kumar Leaves For Manila

CALCUTTA, Feb. 16. (API): The Indian Lawn Tennis Association has received an invitation from the Philippines for sending two top-rank players for the coming National Lawn Tennis Championship of the Philippines.

Naresh Kumar, India's No. 1 left for Manila yesterday in response to the invitation, while Sumant Misra, the other player selected by the Association, is unable to leave the country at present for unavoidable reasons.

Sumant Misra has also been invited by the Netherlands Tennis Association to take part in their special international Tournament in commemoration of th golden jubilee of the Association to be held at Noordwijk by the end of May. But Misra has not yet received the permission of the Indian Lawn Tennis Association to make the trip.

ROBINSON HELD TO A DRAW

BUFFALO (New York), Feb. 16, (PTI-Reuter): Ray Bobinson, world welterweight champion, was held to a draw by Henry Brimm, of Buffalo, in a ten-round non-little boult here last night.

AMATEURISM AND BROKEN TIME

LONDON, Feb. 14 (PTI-Reuter): The recent probe into the amateur status of two leading Women Athletes British Olympic hurdler and sprinter Maureen Gardner and Irish International Golfer, Phlomena Harvey, has raised anew the question of amateurism and broken time.

It has caused some heartburning in sporting circles in Britain, notably among Track and Field Writers. Questions are being asked in the British Press about the status of foreign athletes, and if they are allowed to "get away with it," why are girls like Miss Gardner and Miss Harvey, who have obviously not done anything serious, questioned and given undue publicity.

Athletes mentioned in this respect are Fanny Blankers-Koen, the fleet-footed Dutch mother and Herb McKenley, the West Indian sprinter, both now in Australia, and the Olympic Track Stars, Ernest Ahlden (Sweden) Gaston Reiff (Belgium), Willie Silknuis (Holland), and Marcel Hansenne (France) now in the United States.

There, is, however, not the slightest evidence that any single one of them is getting a penny beyond the legitimate travelling and hotel expenses. But one can hardly blame people for being sceptical after what has happened on past occasions when athletes have not only taken pocket money, but "feathered their nest" as well.

The authorities of most other countries are not so strict. Many of them fully approve of their athletes getting broken time payment and gaining valuable experience by going abroad as long as they do not financially benefit from their prowess.

Indeed, British Athletic Officials are for tightening up rather than relaxing their Rules, and Women athletes are not a future to be allowed to broadcast over the Radio for personal profit. If they should broadcast, they must name the organisation to which payment has been made.

Miss Harvey's "crime" was that she was earning her living in the Toy Department of a Dublin store, which might have been said to have been capitalising her Golfing skill, especially as, among other things, she had to sell golf equipment

Miss Garvey resigned her job and appealed to the Royal and Ancient Golf Club, the ruling authority. They took the golfer's side, and so Miss Garvey is now back in her store earning her living and can still play Amateur Golf for her country.

INDOOR CHAMPIONSHIP

American Sports Writers View

NEW YORK, Feb. 15. (U.P.A.): American track writers concede that three national indoor championships will be won by Europeans next Saturday night in the meet at Madison Square Garden.

Belgium's Gaston Reiff seems sure to win the three-mile title, Holland's Willy Slykhuis is the favoured one-miler and French Marcel Hansenne is rated too in the 1,000 yards.

Commenting on last Saturday night's races the writers said:

"New York Mirror"—"Not since Nurmi have the Europeans made such a splash."

H. Y. Turkin of the "New York News" said, "Both Slykhuis and United States Don Gehrmann are capable of lowering Gil Dodds' world indoor mile record but they need to run against each other to register record times. There is no question Reiff is king at longer distances."

The New York "World Telegram's" Lou Miller said, "Reiff is one of the strongest and swiftest distance runners of all time. Slaykhuis should win the national mile and Hansenne the 1,000 yards."

The "Journal American" praised the runners but commented that Norway's pole vaulter, Erling Kaas, is not ready for top-flight competition yet and will be lucky to clear 13 feet in the Nationals.

Former two-mile champ Gregg Rice said. "Reiff is the most spectacular distance man since Nurmi. He has a smooth style and an abnormally quick pick-up. He is certain to break my indoor record of 8.51 before he ends his career."

P. V. M. TENNIS TOURNAMENT

Mrs. Cuthbertson And Mrs Bennet Win Easily

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

The Women's Open Tennis Tournament run by the P.V.M. Gymkhana made further progress this evening on the Bombay Gymkhana Courts. Although all matches were decided over two straight sets, nevertheless a few of the matches provided interesting tennis.

Miss Laxmi Merchant proved much too steady for her opponent in the singles, Mrs. Mani Bharucha. She won the first set at the expense of solitary game. Mrs. Bharucha made a determined effort to level terms, but failed after extending her more experienced opponent to four games.

In the only other singles match played this evening. Mrs. Limbrey beat Mrs. Cuthbertson by six games to one in both the sets. It was pleasing to see the latter indulge in aggressive play, and in spite of the fact that most of her strokes landed outside the base-lines, that did not deter her. She went on hitting in her usual manner, and brought off many fine forehand strokes that earned her the applause of the few sepectators that had come to see the evening's tennis.

Greater experience of the game, and some exceedingly good strokes enabled Mrs. Cuthberton and Mrs. Barrett to get the better of a young pair in Miss Bhandari and Miss Chopra in two straight sets. It was a very well contested game, and the scores of 6-1, 6-1 hardly do justice to the fine stroke-production that all the four players displayed. Miss Bhandari and Miss Chopra gave a brilliant exhibition of forehand drives, particularly the former, who had the added advantage of speed in her strokes. Mrs. Barrett caught the eye more than once with her cool and collected manner in which she returned all the strokes, which at times would have got the better of many other front-rank players. Mrs. Cuthbertson once again, in the course of the evening gave a pleasing display.

Some good tennis on the part of Mrs. Perin Madhok and able assistance of her partner Mrs. Aibara enabled them to win their encounter against Miss Masters and Miss Holden, with a great deal of ease. In the two sets, the winners gave away only one game.

Miss Ghasvala and Miss Billimoria made far too many errors against Miss Bastawala and Mrs. Forbes, and consequently lost the first set, after extending their opponents to seven-five. They were again running level with them at two games all, when due to the failing light the match was postponed to tomorrow.

The following were the day's results:

WOMEN'S SINGLES

Miss Laxmi Merchant beat Mrs. Mani Bharucha, 6-1, 6-4; Mrs. P. Limbrey beat Mrs. R. Cuthbertson 6-1, 6-1.

WOMEN'S DOUBLES

Mrs. S. Pollard and Mrs. M. Mudie beat Mrs. R. K. Gazdar and Mrs. S. Patwardhan, 6-1, 6-1; Mrs. R. Cuthbertson and Mrs. N. Barrett beat Miss S. Chopra and Miss R. Bhandari, 6-1, 6-1; Mrs. Perin Madhok and Mrs. S. Aibara beat Miss A. Masters and Miss J. Holden, 6-1, 6-0; Miss D. Bastawala and Mrs. M. S. Forbes vs. Miss Mehru Ghasvala and Miss Pilloo Billimoria, 7-5, 2-2. (unfinished).

Today's Fixtures

COURT NO. 7: at 4-15 p.m. Mrs. B. Stewart vs. Mrs. R. K. Gazder (quarter-final), followed by Miss L. Merchant vs. Mrs. N. Barrett (quarter-final), followed by Mrs. P. Madhok and Mrs. S. Aibara vs. Mrs. S. Pollard and Mrs. M. Mudie (quarter-final).

COURT NO. 8: at 4-15 p.m. Miss D. Bastawala and Mrs. M. S. Forbes vs. Miss M. Ghasvala and Miss P. Billimoria (unfinished match), followed by Mrs. C. Mayne vs. Mrs. P. Limbrey, followed by Mrs. M. Bhavnani vs. Miss R. Damri, followed by Mrs. B. Stewart and Mrs. P. Limbrey vs. Miss Ghasvala and Miss P. Billimoria or Miss D. Bastawala and Mrs. M. S. Forbes (quarter-final).

INTER-PROVINCIAL HOCKEY

Madras Team Selected

MADRAS, February 16 (A.P.I.): The following will represent Madras at the Inter-Provincial Hockey Tournament to be played at Delhi during the first week of March.

Newman (Captain) R. Francis (Vice-Captain) Richtor, H. Scanlon, Panniriselvam, R. M. Hussain, Celestin, Sivaprakasam, T. Scanlon, Marian and Ranga Does Reserves: Garrett, Basith Khan, D'Silva and M. Stimpson.

Mr. R. D. Reddi, Honorary Secretary, Madras Hockey Association will accompany the team as manager.

WATERLOO CUP TO GO?

Abolition Of Blood Sports Bill Raises Fierce Controversy

LONDON, Feb. (PTI-Reuter):— It is quite on the cards that the Waterloo Cup, Britain's Premier Greyhound coursing trophy which has been held for 112 years, may not be run again. If the abolition of Blood Sports Bill goes through Parliament this sport will probably die.

To many coursing a live hare by Greyhounds is just about the most cruel of all sports and only this last week when the Waterloo Cup was held some writers described it as "the week's bloodiest event". Sentences appeared in the British press like "what an un-utterably foul business the Waterloo Cup is and "last week at Altcar, Liverpool, they were at their beastly bloodletting again".

But what is the real truth about this sport? Is it such a cruel business or is it the fine sport which many country men and women assert it to be

Only the views of those who have attended it can be regarded as valid. Many thousands of those who decry it unquestionably do so because of what they read and hear about it, It is the old question of giving a dog a bad name.

COUNTRY FOLK FAVOUR IT

It is significant that those who oppose the sport are mostly townsfolk, whereas the country men and women for the most part are in favour of it.

Does this mean that those who live in the country are more cruel than those who live in cities? Those who live among the hills and dales and commune with nature, who see wild animals forever struggle for existence in a cruel world, should surely be best qualified to speak on all the so-called blood sports like. hunting and coursing. And they generally approve of hunting foxes, deer and otters and of coursing the hare.

The Abolition of Blood Sports Bill is fiercely fought by the British Field Sports Society, with the support of the National Farmers Union and tens of thousands of individual sportsmen and sportswomen.

OTHER BLOOD SPORTS COURSING LESS CRUEL THAN

Coursing is not regarded by such persons as being any more cruel than any other blood sport, indeed there are sound grounds for saying that it is less cruel than others which are not included in the Abolition of Blood Sports Bill—fishing and shooting.

Fox hunting and deer hunting are both more cruel than coursing if one considers the fact as one rightly may, that the escape from death of these animals, if it is to be, is long and drawn-out entailing much hardship and perhaps misery. For the coursed hare it is short and sharp. It is killed or free to live to fight another day, always a matter of minutes.

SCOTLAND NOT AFFECTED

For all that, coursing is the number one target of most of those who would put an end to all blood sports.

But even if the Bill goes through there is still one Loophole. It does not yet affect Scotland and maybe there will yet be a Waterloo Cup over the Border where coursing is greatly loved. May be masters will also take their packs of hounds there, to add to the ten packs which already operate with great success in that country.

JOE LOUIS TO DEFEND TITLE

NEW YORK, Feb. 15. (P.T.I.-Reuter): Joe Louis is reported here to have accepted terms from Mike Jacobs agents to defend his world heavyweight title at the Yankee Stadium in June.

According to the report, Louis will receive 4b per cent of the net gate film, radio and television receipts.

The challenger will have to accept 1b per cent.

Before boarding a plane for Miami to-day Louis announced that he would give Lee Savold one week to accept an eliminating fight with Ezzard Charles.

Failing that, Louis said, he would consider that Savold had barred himself from consideration as an opponent.

Charles is due to meet Jofy Maxim in Cincinnati on February 28.

Provincial Hockey Championship

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

In the Bombay Provincial Hockey Championship game Young Sports "A" beat Khatau Sports Club, a second division outfit by four goals to one. Young Sports had the added services of Jameson, and Alexander, star performers of yester year.

In the opening half Young Sports scored once through Sunny D'Mello and then in the second half. Gonsalves R. Fernandes scored. Towards the end R. Fernandes completed his side's tally, but in the last minute R. Abraham scored for Khatau's.

SPATE OF GOALS IN SEMI-FINALS

Inter-Railway Hockey Tournament

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

M. S. M. Railway entered the final of the Inter-Railway Hockey Tournament by beating B.B. and C.I. Rly. in a fast game in which the M.S.M. scored five times, while B.B. and C.I. replied thrice. M.S.M.'s attack made full use of the opportunities presented and came out winners.

M.S.M. Railway opened their account in the second minute of play through a short corner melee when Jones scored. Six minutes later, Asthon Pereira of a pass from the right equalised for B.B. and C.I. but a minute later M.S.M. went further ahead when Jadhav missed the ball and the goalie, Gardner left his charge to clear but right inner Thangaraj took hold of the opportunity and scored. B.B. and C.I. had had a larger say in the game but Garret in M.S.M.'s goal saved on numerous occasions.

On resumption B.B. and C.I. worked up their attack but against the run of play M.S.M. went twice ahead on the first occasion midway through the second half, Jannickaran scored with a shot from the top of the circle Then a minute later Thangaraj consolidated his sides position with a stinging shot which Gardner in B.B.'s goal attempted to save with his hand but the ball was deflected into goal. Two minutes later B.B. and C.I. got their second goal through Gregory Fernandes their left outer who scored with a terrific shot from the top of the semi-circle. Five minutes later M.S.M.'s goal escaped narrowly when Foster shot but goalie saved then Ashton shot but a defender saved the ball was again shot into goal by Arthur Fernandes but Garret saved well. Two minutes later Reynold's received a clearance shot from a defender which he held first time and shot beating the goalie ends up. B.B. and C.I. now looked like making amends but Thangaraj of M.S.M. scored his side's fifth goal.

In the last few minutes Perumal of M.S.M. ran through on his own and had only the goalie to beat but Gardner in, the local railways goal falling back into goal managed to get his pads to the ball and saved the situation B.B. and C.I. transferred play and forced two corners but they proved otherwise Garret in goal brought of some grand saves. M.S.M. prevailed by five goals to three in a game of goal getting thus earning the right to enter the final.

SECONDARY TEACHERS' DEMANDS

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

A deputation on behalf of the Bombay Provincial Secondary Teachers' Federation, consisting of Mr. R. P. Bakshi, President. Mr. T. J. Hansoti, General Secretary, Mr. A S. Vaidya, Mr. B. R. Desai and K B. Joshi, (members) waited on Mr B. G. Kher, Premier and Minister for Education at the Bombay Secretariat, today.

They are learnt to have placed the following demands before Mr. Kher.

1) That secondary teachers should be placed on a par with Government servants.

2) That there should be no efficiency bar in the scales of promotions.

3) That they should be given due representations on the managements of schools.

4) That the 32-hour week should be inclusive of recess and not exclusive.

Mr. Kher is stated to have given them a sympathetic hearing.

BREACH OF TRUST ALLEGED

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

Kara Umar was arrested by Crime Branch II, Bombay C.I.D. yesterday for alleged breach of trust in respect of 516 Lags of rice and 468 bags of milo valued at Rs. 39,000.

Producing the accused before Mr. J M. Barot at the Mazagaon Court today, the police stated that the suspect did not deliver bags of foodgrains given by the Food Controller, Bombay, for delivery to Ratnagiri District.

The Ratnagiri police came to Bombay to make enquiries and traced the accused who was subsequently arrested.

The Magistrate ordered Kara Umar to be remanded to police custody.

In the Day's Sport

TENNIS

Bombay Gymkhana Courts

4-15 p.m. P.V.M. Women's Tournament.

HOCKEY

Association Ground

4-10 p.m. Customs A.C. vs. Boy's Own Club (Provincial).

5-30 p.m. B.N. Rly. vs. S.I. Rly. (Inter Railway).

St. Xavier's Ground, Parel

4-10 p.m. Goan S.C. "B" vs. Khar Selected (Figueredo Cup).

5-15 p.m. G.I.P. Rly. "A" vs. Blue Wizards (Lewis Cup).

BOMBAY RACES

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RACING UNDER IDEAL CONDITIONS

The Bombay Chronicle

To be strong—we must work. To be happy—we must be kind. To be wise—we must look and think.

—RUSKIN

WANTED CLARITY

In presenting the Railway Budget, Mr. N. Gopalaswami Ayyangar was rather mixed up in his sequences. After remarking that the stain of the aggression and fighting in Kashmir and of the Hyderabad Police Action had confronted the Railway Administration with unprecedented problems, the Minister said that "they tackled them with vigour and determination and the situation had so far improved after a few months that Dr. John Matthai was able to tell the House in February last that we had turned the corner" The absurdity of this statement lies in the fact that the Hyderabad Police Action occurred in September 1948 and the Kashmir fighting, which began in October 1947, lasted well on to December 1948. If Dr. Matthai could tell the House in February 1948 that we had turned the corner after facing these crises and strains, then certainly he must be a most remarkable man. Mr. Gopalaswami was further inclined to congratulate the railways on their remarkably quick adjustment to the facts of partition. This is a most astonishing claim. We would commend to Mr. Gopalaswami Ayyangar's attention the following extract from the "Statesman" of Calcutta:

Delivering judgment in an application made by the Dominion of India, Banerjee J. of Calcutta High Court observed that the ground urged was that consequent on the partition of the railways and division of assets and records, etc., the files had unavoidably got mixed up and mislaid and much time was being taken in tracing them.

His Lordship said that this was not the first application of its kind made before him on behalf of the Dominion. I believe since September last I have disposed of more than 100 applications of this type."

"The reason given by the Dominion in asking for extension of time is not convincing. The partition took place about 18 months ago. If the Railway Administration has not been able durin this period to trace the necessary papers to enable the Dominion to file the written statement, I regret to say it does not reflect to the credit of the Railway Administration or the efficiency of those persons who are in charge of the files and records. It seems to me that there is a lack of supervision and control somewhere of a grave character.

"It is necessary that the proper authority should wake up and take proper steps in the matter so that the public exchequer has not to bear this unnecessary waste of money".

This is a revelation on one aspect of the working of the Railway Administration which does not justify Mr. Gopalaswami's confidence.

If vagueness and over-anxiety to commend the department governs this side of the Minister's presentation of the Railway Budget, there is inaccuracy in budgetting in other parts which cannot but strike the unsophisticated public. For instance, Mr. Gopalaswami says, "A fall in earnings has been assumed as a result of the introduction of the new three class accommodation in trains, though the recent trends of the change do not altogether justify this apprehension and there might possibly be some increase under this head". As a matter of fact, his predecessor, Dr. Matthai, held that the abolition of the highest class would have not only a sentimental value but be to economic advantage of the railways as well. And that is exactly what the new classification does. Why it should have caused apprehension of loss of revenue is inexplicable except on the official tradition of budgetting receipts low and expenses high. In the face of all this confusion at the outset, it is worth asking whether much store can be set by figures in the Budget. It is true that a surplus is better than a deficit but it is important that the surplus should be spent on improving the railways and extending their services. In this connection, it might be mentioned that opinion in certain quarters is averse to parts of railway surpluses being allotted to General Revenues, holding that what is gained on the railways should be exclusively spent on rail development, and it is a view which might be seriously considered in view of the transport difficulties before the country. It is also unjust for the Minister to charge the trading community with irresponsible conduct in not clearing consignments and thus holding up wagons needlessly. Seeing that the press has been deluged with complaints from the commercial community of their goods being held up by railway inefficiency, this places a severe strain on the credulity of the public. The trading community is interested in getting their goods early but the railway official is not very much concerned with securing the freedom of the wagons.

The programme for extending mileage announced by the Minister is nothing startling. Dr. Matthai had remarked last year on the futility of expecting any appreciable extension without a planning programme. He had observed that it was necessary that transport plans should be related to the schemes of economic development and that railway extension should be coordinated with other transport. In the absence of anything effective in either direction, it must be assumed that the new projects are just so many immediate expedients with no special importance to the general planning of the railway system. Dr. Matthai had proposed an elaborate conference with provincial representatives on the question of reviving dismantled railways but there is nothing said on this subject by Mr. Gopalaswami Ayyangar. Probably it is left to him to carry all these discussions forward in the future. But it is time that something was done to plan the expansion of railways. With this also goes the question of railway reorganisation. Hitherto, it was put off on the ground that the political pattern of India had not emerged. But today it would be absurd to maintain this position since Communications are acceptedly a Central concern whether the units affected are provinces or States. Mr. Gopalaswami's dramatic gesture towards Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel while hoping that that the political map of India "will be finally settled in the near future to facilitate the re-drawing of the railway map", was entirely meaningless, except in regard to Kashmir where much railway adjustment is not necessary. For railway purposes, the map has already been ready.

Referring to passengers' problems, Mr. Gopalaswami euphemistically said that travelling conditions were difficult. Speaking at the first session of the All-India Railway Passengers' Conference last August, Mr. Matadin Khaitan gave a graphic description. "The third class passenger in this country", he said, "is the most neglected person. Indeed it is a sheer irony of fate that, instead of improvements, the difficulties of third class passengers have enormously increased with the result that .. it has today become difficult not only to purchase a ticket at the booking window but it has become almost difficult to enter a third class compartment. The conditions faced by passengers on roadside stations is most miserable and every day the spectacle of passengers hanging on to doors, standing at great risks to their lives on the footboards, and clinging even to windows with hardly any support worth the name has become too common a sight for our railways to take any serious notice of." Members have given more detailed accounts in the Indian Parliament and some of them, commenting on the fact that nationalisation should not be attended by less attention to passengers' interests than there was under the previous commercial management, have even questioned the propriety of surpluses while conditions are so bad. The Railway Authorities, always so solicitous of the special position of a utility service when addressing themselves to the workers, might themselves take the lesson to heart in serving the public. What is needed is an imaginative approach and clarity of thought. It is a tragedy of the Railway Ministry that, whether the same person holds office or the Minister changes, there is not a single project which goes through for over a year. The Railway Minister's speech indicated that he was fully aware of these problems but he left considerable room for anxiety about the ability of his department to cope with them. The Railways, affecting as they do, men, women and children, call for something more than Budgetary adjustments.

TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT.

NEW YORK: Mrs. Diana Lansing, a film actress, has been acquitted by a Los Angeles court of the charge of kidnapping John Clan, a film producer, whom she was alleged to have compelled to sign a film contract.—IPS.

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HYDERABAD (Dn), Feb. 14: Political circles in Hyderabad feel that prospects of a compromise between the two groups in the State Congress, which have been carrying on mutual talks during the past few days, are receding.

Well, why not? Freedom having been achieved, so to speak, political life must be made and kept lively.

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According to a Madras report, Mr T. R. Venkatrama Sastri, "who is now trying to resolve the deadlock between the Government and the R. S. S. movement," has returned to Madras, but has preferred, "in the interest of the cause he had undertaken", not to say anything at the present stage.

We are glad and relieved to think that the Junior Colleague has not had his attention drawn to this report.

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A Senior military spokesman in Karachi said to-day that 6,000 tribesmen in all had returned to the Frontier province from Kashmir in good order.—A.P.P.

And the rest?

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Chaudhry Khaliquzzaman announces that as a safeguard against unfairness the Sind Provincial Muslim League Assembly Party meeting for the election of a leader will be presided over by an outsider to wit, Mian Mumtas Daulatana, President of the West Punjab Muslim League.

Which looks to us like a hint of the shape of things to come.

We don't know whether it does to Sind too yet.

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In the U. N. Economic and Social Council, Mr. George Fischer representing the World Federation of Trade Unions—you knew the WFTU, don't you?—declared that, although the Indian Government had approved the principle of equal pay, the average value of a woman's pay in India was only 'a cup of rice."

We really think the Party Line has meandered rather too far away in the last twelve months or so.

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The Indonesian office in London claims that large-scale Dutch offensives were continuing in Indonesia despite statements to the contrary.—PTI-Reuter.

Nonsense, nonsense. What is being resorted to is a series of lathi charges on rowdy disturbers of law and order.

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A British -licensed Berlin paper claims that Marshal Josip Tito, head of the Yugoslav Republic, is really a Soviet General named Lobiediev and not the real Tito who, in point of fact, was killed by the Germans in 1944.

Two facts doubly convince us that Tito is not Tito (1) He and Stalin are quarrelling and (2) He is the Soviet General Lobiediev.

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WASHINGTON: The Senate's foreign policy leaders served notice today that the North Atlantic Pact will not bind the U.S. to go to war if a European ally is attacked.

So much for the North Atlantic Pact.

How much for the North Atlantic Pact allies cannot yet be determined.

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The U. S. Secretary for the Army, Mr. Kenneth Royall, has on his return to America denied reports that during his recent visit to Tokyo he had said the United States planned to pull her troops out of Japan.

Mr. Royall, however, doesn't seem to have explained what actually he did say.

Meanwhile, a good and amusing time, we hope, is being had by the Kremlin and the Cominform.

Our Madras Letter:

HINDU RELIGIOUS ENDOWMENT BILL RAISES CONTROVERSY

No Stepping Up Of Cloth Production As Yet

(From Our Correspondent)

MADRAS (By Air Mail): A good deal of controversy is going on in Madras over the Hindu Religious Endowments Bill introduced by the Madras Government, the object of which is to bring all the religious institutions like temples, mutts and so on, under direct Government management. For three days last week, the Madras Assembly rang with speeches supporting or denouncing the measure, the Congress Party members being themselves keenly divided on the issue. Controversy inside the Legislature is reflected in a fast undertaken by Swami Satyananda Saraswati to induce the Government to postpone introduction of the measure until the new constitution comes into existence.

In introducing the Bill and moving for its reference to a joint Select Committee of both Houses of the Legislature, Dr. Rajan, the Food Minister, tried to show that the Bill involved no new principle but only an extension of the principle embodied in an earlier legislation known as the Hindu Religious Endowments Act, passed twenty years back, that some of the religious institutions are so badly managed that they could not be permitted to continue their mismanagement longer, that the Government had powers under the present constitution to bring in the legislation whatever may be the position under the new constitution. The opposition to the Bill, which is widely mobilised falls into two categories, those who accept the need for reform but do not want Government management over religious institutions and those who want that the Bill should be postponed until the new constitution is introduced. It is argued that the Bill infringes the fundamental rights embodied in article 20 of the Draft Constitution regarding the freedom of religious worship and that its introduction was not, therefore, warranted on the eve of the new constitution and would in fact be a contempt of the constitution. It was also pointed that establishment of Government control over the religious institutions of one religious community while leaving those of other communities uncontrolled tantamounts to discrimination.

As a counter-blast to the Governmental motion for reference to the Select Committee, Mr. Vaidyanatha Iyer, a prominent Congress member, moved a motion for the circulation of the Bill and in a closely argued speech urged the postponement of the Bill pending the elicitation of public opinion.

CLOTH PRODUCTION

If it was the hope of the Madras Government that after the introduction of controls, production of cloth would go up, that hope does not seem to have been realised, according to the replies given by Madras Industries Minister, Mr. H. Sitaramareddy, to questions in the Assembly. He said that so far as he knew, cwloth production had remained uniform and stationary throughout the period. There was also no accumulation of stocks of cloth, and there was enough cloth to go round all the retailers. Similarly there was no accumulation of yarn stocks in the mills in the province, and in fact weavers have yarn to last only for about ten days, and there was no justification for the complaint that co-operative societies entrusted with yarn distribution work had not sufficient funds on hand to clear the stocks from the mills.

WATER SCARCITY IN CITY

Madras is passing through what may be described as a mild form of water famine during the last few days. Owing to the failure of the monsoon during the last season, water level in the Red Hills Tank, which is the main source of water supply for the 12 lakhs and odd population in Madras, has been reduced and for the next few days, the normal supply of water to the city's dwellers will be limited to about 50 per cent of the normal supply. The Madras Corporation authorities are naturally perturbed over the position and, though belatedly, they have been making strenuous efforts to conserve the available water supply, until the break of the next monsoon. Not only has the number of hours during which water is allowed in the taps severely restricted, so as to bring down consumption to 16.7 million gallons per day from 25 million gallons, with possibility of a further reduction to 14 million gallons, which works out about 10 gallons per head per day, but efforts are also being made to get the householders to renovate and repair the wells in their compounds.

WELLS FOR IRRIGATION

The possibility of digging a well for irrigation purposes within twenty-four hours and at a total cost of Rs. 1,000 is envisaged by an engineer attached to the Madras Agricultural Department. He has demonstrated his theory by actually completing the digging of a well 8 feet in diameter and 18 feet in depth, in which there is 12 ft. of standing water, within a period of 22 hours in the presence of the Madras Premier and officials of the Public Works Department. This experiment can be repeated everywhere, according to him, though the time factor for digging wells may vary with the nature of soil met with in the process of boring.

SERVICES WELFARE WEEK

Madras is at present in the midst of a Services Welfare Week, organised for the twin purposes, of collecting funds for the welfare of India's fighting forces and of educating the public on the activities of our defence services and the complicated modern weapons of warfare that they have to handle. The presence of General Cariappa, Commander-in-Chief of the Indian Army, in Madras has lent special weight and importance to the celebrations in the city. During his stay in Madras the General attended an exhibition organised in connection with the Forces Week, received a civic address from the Madras Corporation, addressed the I.O.Rs. and had on the whole a busy programme. He also inaugurated an "All Star Show" in the huge Corporation Stadium, where in the presence of nearly a lakh of people, a music and dance festical was held to collect funds for the welfare of the Indian troops in Kashmir.

Five Workers Externed From Bihar

PATNA, Feb. 16 (A.P.I.): Five workers, all belonging to East Pakistan, have been extended from Bihar under the Bihar Public Safety Act. Two of them are employees of the Tata Iron and Steel Company, two of the Tin Plate Company and one of the Cable Company, Golmuri.

Relief Works In Baroda

BARODA, Feb. 16 (U.P.I.): A comprehensive programme of 135 relief works, costing over Rs. 20 lakhs and providing employment to about 11,000 persons, has been undertaken by the P.W.D. under orders of the Government of Baroda.

OUR READER'S VIEWS

Asian Assurance Company

Sir,—A meeting of the policy-holders of the Asian Assurance Company Ltd., will be held on March 19, 1949, when Directors will be elected on behalf of the policy-holders.

I propose that the policy-holders should elect such persons as would take active part in safeguarding the interests of all policy-holders.

Unfortunately there is no means of getting the list of policy-holders. A request to the Company to give inspection of the register of policy-holders was turned down

I am trying to contact the policy-holders through this letter.

I suggest that Mr. Laldas Jamnadas who is taking a very keen interest in this matter, and who stands as a candidate, be elected as one of the directors, and with that end in view all the policy-holders in their own interests are requested to contact the undersigned or Mr. Laldas Jamnadas at 11-13, Mint Road, opposite General Post Office.—Yours, etc.,

—BOMAN ARDESHIR NICHOLSON

Librarian Training

Sir,—While the Bombay Government of all the provincial Governments is to be congratulated for launching and carrying out a bold and progressive plan of providing the people of Bombay with adequate library service, all does not appear well as far as the personnel position with regard to the new libraries is concerned. At present there is only one university in the province of Bombay capable of coaching up about a score and a half of students for a diploma in librarianship every year. This number is too small in relation to the need to equip with trained personnel some one hundred odd libraries opened only recently. With the prospect of more libraries coming into existence soon, the problem demands serious and immediate consideration.

It should be borne in mind that the success of a library operation depends as much upon trained personnel as upon adequate finance or good books. The art of bringing books and people together cannot be acquired without proper training.

In order to assure that the maximum benefit is derived out of the expenditure of public funds for the provision of libraries, I suggest that the Bombay Government in co-operation with the Bombay University, Poona University and the Indian Women's University open three or four training schools in each of the three cities, Bombay, Poona and Dharwar—Yours, etc.,

K. P. GANAPATHY

Street-Vendors

Sir,—Some of the pictures were shown to nearly thirty children under 6 years of age and I found the response similar to the pictures from Nursery Book. If these pictures are printed on good paper in book-form they will be of use to the children. —Yours, etc.

L. D. DIXIT,
Bhandup

Income Tax On House Property

Sir.—While arriving at the amount taxable for Income Tax the Income Tax Office deducts 1/6th of the gross value, which is allowed for repairs only under the Income Tax Act. This deduction was fixed in 1922, when the Income Tax Act was passed. In 1922, the cost of repairs was not so heavy. The cost of repairs at present has gone up by 400 per cent. Further the house owners have to pay the increased Municipal Taxes at 21¼ per cent and the Urban Immovable Property Tax at 7 p.c. at present So nearly 92¼ per cent are spent from the gross value. This clearly shows the plight of the house-owners.

It is now high time that the legislators should think over the matter and allow a deduction of 3/5 of the gross value of the property income for repairs etc.—Yours, etc.

K. D. RAVAT

Postal Punctualities

Sir,—After the departure of the foreign bureaucracy, irregularities in the Postal Department are becoming more and more.

Formerly, Bombay post was received the very next day in the mofussil, say, upto Ahmedabad, if not beyond that. While Money Orders and registrations took a day more. This was an unbroken rule without exception. Nawadays, letters and remittances are never received on the expected day. They get clogged up somewhere enroute. To quote two definite personal instances:—

(1) About 3 or 4 months ago my Money order despatched from Marine Lines, Bombay, on the 1st or 2nd of the Month, and expected here not later than the 5th, was not received till the 11th.

(2) This month, a similar remittance from Marine Lines, Bombay, despatched on the 1st instant and expected here at the latest on the 4th was received on the 8th.

The first week of a month is full of crowded payments, particularly to milkmen, servants and others, who cannot suffer delay in these days of scarce credit. In such circumstances to what hardships the receiver in put can more easily be imagined than described. These postmen insist upon their rights but are so negligent of their duties.—Yours etc

RAJPIPLA

M. M. VAIDYA

"What Is Criticism?"

Sir,—One would certainly have admired or pitied Prof. P. A. Wadia's 'naivete' inspiring his string of posers contained in the letter, 'A New Approach To Criticism' ("Chronicle", February 15), if one were quite so sure it 'was', after all, 'naivete'.

Evidently, Premier Kher's plea that criticism levelled against the Government must be well-informed, free from prejudice, constructive and helpful is being lifted on to the plane of philosophic thought and basic values in criticism. At the same time, Prof. Wadia says:—'As to criticism being free from prejudice, all criticism is prejudiced, insofar as it has a definite objective behind it'. Unlike Pilate, Prof. Wadia is not making a hurried exit from the stage of philosophical—or intellectually dictatorial—doubt but expects his challenge to be picked up.

From Plato, Spinoza, Nietzche to Gandhi, men have tried to achieve the impersonality in criticism that touches the two points of reason and noble human emotion. The power of criticism, its effectiveness and the quality of persuasion it possesses are related to the degree of this impersonal criticism.

The discipline of discrimination, calculation and what is called technique is therefore an integral part of criticism as distinguished from scurrility or abuse.

The Bombay Premier's approach to the technique of criticism is not new as Prof. Wadia suggests. It is the universal approach as accepted by modern democracy and men's sense of fairness. There is certainly a vital distinction between well-informed criticism and ill-informed criticism. There is such a thing as judicial balance and the weight of facts of a case and although the Premier did not amplify the point he made, more or less as a passing reference to events ill-informed criticism can be discriminated from well-informed criticism as a donkey can be discriminated from a horse. What is more, ill-informed criticism or criticism that frustrates itself in missing to make any point because it is not related to facts of a situation or truth misses its traget. The same distinction applies to healthy and unhealthy criticism.

To instance this, it is unfair criticism to call the Kher Ministry 'fascist' because it has introduced the SSC examination and is trying to reclaim the education system from the influence of the system that Lord Morley and Lord Curzon devised to have their supply of Babus and with a view to stabilizing the political power of the British in this country. It is perhaps the cruelest mockery of the principles of 'civil liberties' when these principles are evoked by anti-prohibitionists and anti-social elements to assert their liberty of beating me up because I have challenged the validity of the ideology of Hindurashtra. Men who invoke the sanctions of 'civil liberties' must first abide by the discipline they impose and thugs can not surely justify their acts in the name of 'civil liberties'.

As Mr. Kher indicated, well-informed and real criticism as distinguished from destructive criticism—typified by the Communist propaganda of deliberate misrepresentation, distortion, falsification and incitement—is welcome. What he did not add is that even destructive criticism is being freely tolerated by Mr. Kher's Government because the Government realizes that it must defeat itself.—Yours, etc.

'CRITICUS'.

Rent In Kakoori Camp

Sir.—I am a refugee from Sind. I have taken a double-room tenement in Kakoori Camp at Andheri. I am paying Rs. 35 rent including service charges. I am amazed why the Bombay Government have allotted a very big block or 14 double-room tenements to a Bombay Marwari merchant for sub-letting purposes at the low rent of Rs. 90 per month. And if so, is he permitted to sub-let his 14 blocks for profit-making purposes.—Yours, etc.,

"A REFUGEE".

FRANKLY SPEAKING

Why The Delay?

The U.N. Kashmir Commission, it was reported the other day, had constituted a sub-committee to draw up a truce agreement to be signed by the Governments of India and Pakistan. One would have thought that the essentials and even the major details of a truce agreement were already there in the cease-fire agreement and in the correspondence in connection therewith. Why should there be any difficulty in drawing up a truce formula, which is taking so much time and energy? The answer, it is now becoming increasingly clear, is the reluctance of the U.N. Commission to carry out the undertaking in respect of Pakistan and the so-called Azad Kashmir Government, which it had given to the Government of India. One suspects that the meetings with Mr. Girja Shankar Bajpai are intended to induce the Government of India to help the Commission out of its difficulty at the expense of fundamental principles and the interests and self-respect of the Governments of both India and Kashmir. If that is so, the Commission might as well wind up and go back.

A Turkish Move

The Turks are said to have sponsored a proposal to form a Mediterranean Pact on the lines of the Atlantic Pact, which, incidentally, is yet to be finalised and adhered to by the proposed constituents of it. The Atlantic Pact is still in a nebulous state. And the possibilities of its materialisation have not been improved by recent declarations, which suggest an equivocal and ambiguous attitude on the part of the United States itself, without the full participation of which the Pact will not only lose its entire meaning but will also place the European participants in a position of increased danger. Efforts are being made by Senate leaders to devise a formula, which without legally committing the United States, will yet constitute a full guarantee that the United States will go to the military aid of any signatory in case the latter is attacked by an outside power. The success, indeed, the very conclusion, of the Atlantic Pact will depend on that formula.

The Difficulties

Meanwhile, the idea of a Mediterranean Pact as a supplement to the Atlantic Pact is certainly attractive enough for those, who would build a bastion against the Soviet Union and its extending influence. But the project suffers from more practical difficulties than the Atlantic Pact. The European members of the Atlantic Pact enjoy a certain political solidarity and the group is free from internal fundamental conflicts. A Mediterranean Pact will, of course, be meaningless without the inclusion in it of the Middle East countries, that is at least three Arab States and Israel. The United States and Great Britain have yet to win the support and friendship of Arab States after the recent great betrayal. And what human possibility is there of the Arab States and Israel coming together in a united front as allies? Thirdly, what possibility is there of Israel consenting to ally itself with a group against the Soviet Union? There is a report that Israel prefers neutrality which is natural enough. But Israel's neutrality will destroy the efficacy of the Pact. Thanks to the policies of the Anglo-Saxons themselves, there is little chance of a Mediterranean Pact coming into being.

Safer Roads

The question of the prevention of accidents on roads has engaged the attention of the Police authorities of Bombay. Reckless motoring, carelessness on the part of pedestrians and the absence of footpaths in some localities are the chief causes of accidents. As regards motoring, the drive against the use of dazzling head-lights is being intensified, and henceforth action against offenders will be taken on the spot by the Traffic Police. If enofrced strictly, such a regulation should reduce the frequency of accidents during night; and yet, much more will have to be done in order to prevent accidents during day-time as well as at night. The benefits of safety-measures such as crossings, traffic islands and one-way traffic regulations should be extended to all the parts of the city.

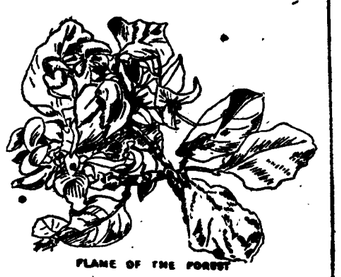
Footpaths Encumbered

Places will be found in some localities which are crossings of Roads, but which need control of vehicular traffic in some form and the regular attendance of the Traffic Police particularly during busy hours. The Police should take stock of such places and introduce in them the necessary safety measures. Pedestrians have been warned to use pedestrian crossings and footpaths. Parents particularly need to be made to realise the risk of leaving children alone to play in streets. The Police, in their turn, should find out how far all the footpaths are walkable. They should not fail to take notice of the obvious encroachments. Hawkers and beggars in certain localities make footpaths difficult for walking. And there are seen in front of cinema houses, queues of cinema-goers. The removal of such encroachments is essential to make footpaths useful to pedestrians.

COPE AT

The Flame of the Forest (Butea Frondosa) is in bloom. The lovely orange colour of its thickly massed flowers make it unmistakable at any distance, and seen as it grows on the Ghats, with a background of fig and teak trees, the former with dark green and the latter with greyish foliage, it is a gorgeous sight. The tree itself is not very large and it is noted for its crooked trunk and irregular branches, which give it rather an uncouth and topheavy appearance as compared to the symmetrical grace of a many of our trees. While in flower, the tree is nearly leafless, or often the upper part is covered with flowers while a few of the lower branches are still covered with their old leaves. As the flowers fade, the young seed-pods, which are pale green, at first look like fresh foliage. They grow to a length of six to eight inches, but bear only one seed. As they are so long and thin they are sufficiently light to be carried long distances by the wind when they are ripe. The leaves are trifoliate, that is, they are made up of three large leaflets, and become rather leathery in texture as they grow older.

D. R.



FLAME OF THE FOREST

Extensive Powers For Reserve Bank

INCREASED STAFF TO COPE WITH LIQUIDATION PROCEEDINGS

Exemption Of Any Bank From Operation Of Provisions Of Act Criticised

NEW DELHI, Feb. 16 (UPI): The Labour Minister, Mr. Jagjivan Ram, introduced in Parliament today a Bill to amend the Coal Mines Labour Welfare Fund Act, 1947, which sought to empower the Housing Board, constituted under the Coal Mines Labour Welfare Fund Act, to control construction of various buildings, such as Central and regional hospitals and maternity and child welfare centres financed from the General Welfare Account of the Fund.

LIABILITY FOR INADVERTENT CONTRAVENTION BY BANKS

Continuing Clauses by clause consideration of the Banking Companies Bill, the House disposed of ten clauses before lunch.

Clause 19 which was held up yesterday following a controversy created by the amendment of Mr. Naziruddin Ahmed was accepted today deleting the first proviso in the Clause as suggested in the amendment.

The proviso laid down that no Bank should be liable for an inadvertent contravention of the provisions of this sub-section if it had not been guilty thereof for a period exceeding two months and if it satisfied the Reserve Bank without delay that such contravention was inadvertent.

The Sub-Section provided that no Bank should hold shares in any company of an amount exceeding 30 per cent of the paid-up share capital of that company or 30 per cent of its share capital and reserves, whichever is less.

An amendment of verbal nature moved by the Finance Minister to Clause 36 was accepted by the House. The Clause lays down the powers and functions of the Reserve Bank.

RESERVE BANK AND LIQUIDATION PROCEEDINGS

The House then took up Clause 39 for discussion. The Clause provides that the Reserve Bank should be appointed as the official liquidator of a Bank only in such proceedings where an application is made by the Reserve Bank in this behalf.

Mr. Naziruddin Ahmed moved an amendment seeking that the Reserve Bank or its nominee should be appointed official liquidator in all proceedings of liquidation.

Pandit Lakshmikanta Maitra supporting the amendment asked the Finance Minister to consider the implications of the amendment. He cited cases where the liquidator had taken away the whole money towards his salary and other expenses leaving very little for the depositors. He said, it was very important to appoint somebody who was authorised by the Reserve Bank as liquidator.

EXTENSIVE POWERS FOR RESERVE BANK

The Finance Minister opposing the amendment, assured that the difficulties that were being experienced now were not likely to arise in future in view of the extensive power which was going to be conferred upon the Reserve Bank. It was intended, he said, to increase the staff of the Reserve Bank sufficiently to meet this very important responsibility. Giving his line of action to meet difficulties that might arise, Dr. Matthai observed that in cases where big Banks affecting a large number of people were involved, the Reserve Bank might appoint temporarily somebody, if they had not got a suitable person in their staff, and ask him to take charge of the Bank concerned. This, he said, was the most satisfactory course from every point of view.

The House rejected the amendment and accepted the Clause 'in toto'.

The House accepted Clauses 40 to 53 of the Banking Companies Bill without any amendment. Although many amendments, most of them of a verbal nature, were moved, they were either lost or withdrawn.

Clause 53 of the Bill provided that the Central Government may, on the recommendations of the Reserve Bank, declare by notification in the official gazette that any or all of the provisions of the Act shall not apply to any banking company or to any class of companies either generally or for such period as may be specified.

EXEMPTIONS UNDESIRABLE

Although no amendment was moved several members expressed a desire to speak on this Clause. Kazi Syed Karimuddin and Mr. Srikrishna Chandra Sharma opposed the provisions of this clause. They said that there should be no exemption of any bank or class of banking companies from the operation of the Act. Any exemption under the provisions of the Clause was undesirable.

Pandit Lakshmikanta Maitra said that in case the Government desired to make any exception to the operation of the Act, as in the case of the Industrial Finance Corporation or such, they should rather specify such cases than leave them undefined in a vague manner. The vague way in which the Act left things to the discretion of the Government or the Reserve Bank of India was not desirable.

Mr Naziruddin Ahmed said that in spite of the fact that Mr. Anantasayanam Ayyangar in his minute of dissent had opposed the vesting of any power with the Government to exempt any banks from the operation of the provisions of this Act, the draftsmen had not taken that point into consideration. If the idea of the Government was to exclude Industrial Finance Corporation and similar other concerns from the ambit of this Act, they should indicate their intention rather than leave things vague, he said.

BE SPECIFIC

Mr. Rohini Kumar Chaudhuri also opposed Clause 53. If any exemption was to be made it would be better to specify the particular class of banking companies in favour of which the Government wanted to exercise their discretion. He also doubted whether such an exemption was advisable. He did not think that land mortgage banks came under the provisions of this Act. However, he desired the intentions of Government to be made clear.

Mr. Jhunjunwala also expressed himself in favour of a clarification of the cases for which Government desired to grant exemption. He pointed out that although he did not doubt the necessity of the Government having some discretion in regard to making an exception of certain cases, in the case of fixation of sugar prices, the Provincial Governments had occasions to abuse that discretion. In those circumstances, as experience had shown, he said it would be better to lay down some specific provision as to which cases Government intended to give exemption from the operation of this Act.

Mr. B. Das wanted to know whether the Imperial Bank would be exempt. The situation must be clarified. Assurances alone would not do. It was better that the Finance Minister defined on the floor of the House in which cases he desired to grant exemption.

Mr. Thirumal Rao said if the Government wanted to grant exemption from the operation of this Act in case of any particular cases, they could stay proceedings for some time and bring such cases before the House before giving them exemption Only in certain cases of emergency such exemption would be given and those cases could well be considered by the House. There was no need to have a specific provision to empower Government to give exemption he said.

HOUSE MUST TRUST GOVT.

Dr. John Matthai, Finance Minister, said that although he was aware of the apprehensions of the members in this regard, unless there was statutory provision within the Act itself empowering Government to grant exemption in certain cases, the Government would not be able to exercise any discretion in the matter. This matter came up before the Select Committee and that Committee had considered the whole question carefully and had agreed to retain the clause as it stood. He also said that ultimately the House had to place some trust somewhere in the operation of any Act. Otherwise the very operation of any Act would be impracticable. It was quite possible, he contended, that in his capacity as Finance Minister, it might be impossible for him to exercise the discretion in a way in which he would have liked. But at the same time, unless the Government was trusted as a whole not to exercise such discretionary powers except in cases of emergency, it would be pratically unworkable. Therefore, he appealed to the House to accept the clause as it stood The House adopted Clause 53 without any amendment

NO PROSECUTION FOR ANYTHING DONE IN GOOD FAITH

Dr. Matthai then moved an amendment by which he sought to insert a new clause. The new clause laid down that no suit, prosecution or other legal proceedings should lie against the Central Government, the Reserve Bank or any person for anything which was done in good faith for intended to be done in pursuance of this Act and that save otherwise expressly provided by or under this Act. No suit or legal proceedings should lie against the Central Government, Reserve Bank or any person for any damage caused or likely to be caused by anything in good faith done or intended to be done in pursuance of this Act.

NEED FOR PROTECTION

Dr. Matthai said that unless such protection was given to the official discharging his functions under the Act, the Act would be unworkable. Officials empowered to execute the law would not be able to discharge their functions with responsibility without such protection being assured to them, he said.

Mr. B. Das opposed this amendment. He feared that such a provision would to a large extent shield officials of the Government and Reserve Bank even if they happened to indulge in acts of corruption. The Reserve Bank officials were not infallible, he said.

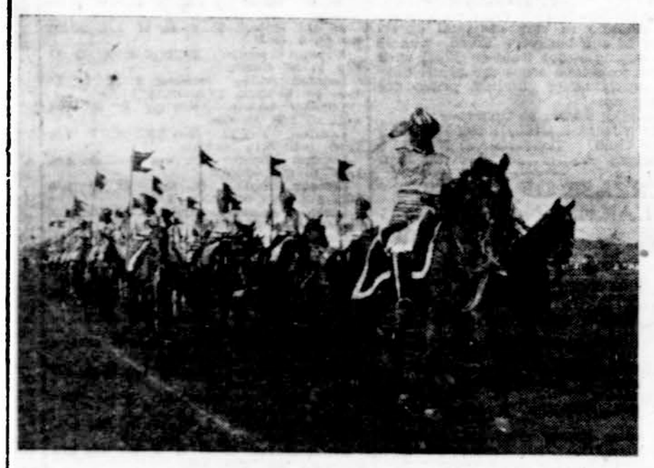
Officers of the Reserve Bank, he said, were following the method of the old ICS officials and such a measure would give them enough protection for their acts. Therefore, he thought such a statutory provision was undesirable.

Mr. Das had not concluded his remarks, when the House adjourned.

RESTRICTION ON IMPORT OF GRAM

GRAM, GRAMDAL, their brokens or flour cannot be, now, imported into Greater Bombay rationed area and 47 villages of Thana District attached to Greater Bombay rationed area, by any person without a written permit issued by the Director of Civil Supplies, according to an Order issued by the Government of Bombay The Order also applies to stocks of these commodities in transit through this area, and necessary permits for transit will have to be obtained by the persons concerned in this regard.

WELFARE WEEK IN POONA



POONA, Feb. 14.

The Forces Welfare Week came to an official close on Sunday 13th inst. when the Sub-Area Commander, Brig. H. M. Mohite, took the salute at a March Past of all the units which participated in the special display.

As many as 2,000 people visited the Exhibition daily, and over the weekend it is estimated that five and six thousand came on Saturday and Sunday respectively. Great interest was shown in the various stalls depicting the many aspects of the Army, Navy and Air Force's work and the display of weapons and carefully made models.

The Fun Fair provided entertainment for both big and small and the roundabout, tumbling box, aerial ropeway, cocoanut shy and the midget railway always had queues of eager customers. There were also rides on Tanks and Carriers, and small boys enjoyed themselves to the utmost working the elevating and traversing wheels of the anti-aircraft guns and the Navy pom-pom.

The March Past on the final day was a colourful event with its whiteclad athletes, the prancing cavalry with their lances glinting in the evening sun, the red and white motorcycles of the Signal Corps stuntmen, the rumbling Churchill flame-thrower and the five bands. As each team sung past the saluting base the crowd applauded loudly, applause indeed wellearned by the Jawans, who had out in so much hard work and so many long hours to make their show a success.

The Army authorities are gratified with the overwhelming enthusiasm and interest shown by the public towards the Armed Forces, and by its generosity. It is expected that when the proceeds of the whole show have been assessed, they will exceed Rs. 25,000 from Poona Sub-Area alone.

TWO-MAN SUB-COMMITTEE TO VISIT "AZAD KASHMIR"

Decision Of United Nations Commission

NEW DELHI, FEB. 16 (UPI): A TWO-MAN SUB-COMMITTEE TO PROCEED TO "AZAD KASHMIR" TERRITORY HAS BEEN APPOINTED BY THE UNITED NATIONS COMMISSION FOR INDIA AND PAKISTAN AT ITS MEETING THIS MORNING. THE SUB-COMMITTEE HAS BEEN ASKED TO STUDY THE ADMINISTRATIVE PROBLEMS PREVAILING IN "AZAD KASHMIR" TERRITORY AND TO REPORT THE RESULTS THEREOF TO THE COMMISSION.

The Sub-Committee is composed of Mr. Henry Graefle, Belgian Alternate Delegate, and Mr. Ward P. Allen, U.S. Delegate to the Commission. Mr. Richard Symonds of the Commission Secretariat will act as Secretary to the Sub-Committee.

The Chairman of the Commission, Robert B. Macatee, and Ambassador Alfredo Lozano gave a resume of the conversations held yesterday with India's representative, Mr. Girja Shankar Bajpai to the members of the Commission this morning. Yesterday's conversation between India's representative and the Commission members mainly related to implementation of Part II (the Truce Agreement) of the Resolution of August 13.

The Commission will meet again tomorrow in the morning when the Military Adviser to the Commission Lt.-Gen. Maurice Delvoie will report to the Commission about the implementation of the cease-fire agreement reached between India and Pakistan.

U. N. OBSERVERS IN SRINAGAR

SRINAGAR, Feb. 16 (UPI): Two U. N. Military Observers, Lt.-Col. Kelly (U.S.A.) and Major Sellings (Canada), who arrived here yesterday are busy in setting up their office here. They are staying in the Neduous Hotel.

Gen. Delvoie, who visited Srinagar for the first time yesterday, went back to Jammu yesterday afternoon.

GOVERNMENT TROOPS FOIL KAREN ATTEMPT

RANGOON, Feb. 16 (PTI-Reuter):— Karen attempts to break through Burmese Government lines at Kawegyan on the Rangoon-Insein road, last night were frustrated by Government troops, according to a pro-Government report here.

The report said that the Chin and Kachin Rifles of the Burma Army, who launched a major offensive to recapture Insein, about 15 miles north west of Rangoon, had established a stronghold at Gyogon, on the outskirts of the town.

Government troops were making "steady progress" in this sector, the report added.

WATER SUPPLY RESUMED

Normal water supply in Rangoon city has now been resumed, after a twelve-day break due to insurgent activities at the main water reservoir.

REDS RAID VILLAGE AND MURDER FOUR

HYDERABAD (Dn.), Feb. 16, (U. P.I.):— Communists are stated to have raided the village of Datapuram in Talrancha Taluka in Warangal District, yesterday and murdered the President of the Village Congress Committee, the Patwari and two forest guards. The revenue collections with the Patwari were also looted, according to news reaching here.

HUTS BURNT DOWN

The Communist outlaws also, it is stated, raided Kessapally and Kattor villages in Ellyellandu Taluka in Warangal District, and burnt down huts. The loss is estimated at Rs. 40,000.

The Military Administration have posted four Army units in Warangal district to counteract this threat to the peace of the villages. Another unit has been drafted to guard the railway track.

ENGINEER STABBED

MADRAS, Feb. 16, (UPI): Mr. V. P. Krishnaswamy, Divisional Engineer of Posts and Telegraphs, Madras, aged 50, was stabbed this afternoon in his office by one John, stated to be an ex-peon of his Divisional Engineer's Office.

Mr. Krishnaswamy has been admitted to the General Hospital, where his condition is reported to be serious The ex-peon has been taken into custody and further investigations are proceeding.

Relief For 55 Snow-Bound British Servicemen

CAIRO, Feb. 16 (PTI-Reuter): Fifty-five British servicemen snow-bound for nearly a month in the 6,000 feet pine tree army holiday camp at Troodos, Cyprus, have been relieved. It was learned here today.

Relief party broke through the snowbound mountain passes yesterday while a Roval Air Force 'Dakota' and 'Anson' aircraft from a Suez Canal base dropped fuel supplies after four previous unsuccessful attempts.

BOMBAY DRIVE AGAINST SUBVERSIVE ACTIVITIES

Kher To Inaugurate Three-Day Conference Of Police Officers

BOMBAY, Feb. 16 (API): A three-day conference of senior Police Officers of Bombay City and the Districts will commence here on February 22 to discuss questions relating to the maintenance of law and order and checking "subversive activities" in the Province.

The conference which will be inaugurated by Mr. B. G. Kher, Premier of Bombay, will also discuss certain administrative matters arising out of merger of the Deccan and Gujerat States, Baroda and Kolhapur with the Province of Bombay.

POLICE WEEK

The conference, which is part of the "Police Week" beginning on Feb. 19, will consider steps to be taken for making members of the police force "not only the guardians of law and order but also true servants of the people".

The "Police Week" has been organised with the object of acquainting the public with various sections of the police force and to foster better relations. The programme drawn up for observing the week includes sports meets, shooting competitions, physical drill and tableaux.

COLOURS TO CITY POLICE

Mr. Morarji Desai, Home Minister of Bombay, will present the colours to the Bombay City Police on February 25.

J. P. Urges Railwaymen Not To Strike

CONCESSIONS GIVEN BY GOVT. ARE APPRECIABLE

Carry On Negotiations With Minister And Consolidate Gains, He Advises

PATNA, FEB. 16 (UPI)—"AFTER TAKING INTO CONSIDERATION ALL ASPECTS OF THE QUESTION, I HAVE COME TO THE CONCLUSION THAT YOU SHOULD NOT GIVE NOTICE OF STRIKE NOW BUT SHOULD STATE YOUR DEMAND, CARRY ON THE NEGOTIATIONS THAT THE RAILWAY MINISTER HAS OFFERED TO HOLD WITH US AND CONSOLIDATE OUR PRESENT GAINS AND OUR ORGANISATION. THIS IS MY UNEQUIVOCAL ADVICE WHICH I DO HOPE YOU WILL SEE THE WISDOM OF ACCEPTING."

Thus observed Shri Jaiprakash Narain, President of the All-India Railwaymen's Federation addressing the General Council of the Federation at Dinapure today.

Continuing he said: "Government has made the following concessions to our demands put before them:

"Demand No. 1 for the purpose of the fixation of the initial pay in the prescribed scale of a person who was on a pre-1931 scale of pay and who had elected for the prescribed scale of pay; the pay that on the date of his passing to the prescribed scale he would have been entitled to on the post 1931 scale when he could have done so and his pay then was fixed. This applies only to posts for which the pre-1931 scale is inferior to the corresponding post-1931 scales. The Railway Board would have power to determine which post-1931 scale corresponds to which 1931 scale.

"As regards other cases of pre-1931 entrants, the Railway Board will examine the application of the rules for the fixation of the pay and scales of pay in ored to determine how and to what extent experience in the same category of service can be given due regard in fixing the initial pay in the prescribed scales.

"Demand No. 2—The unauthorised scale 36-1-40 for unskilled supervisor staff will be abolished as demanded by the Federation and the scale 35-1-50 will be given in its place not only for those who are correctly designated but also for others whose work involved supervision in substance over unskilled workers. Only persons who are responsible for the quality and out-turn of work of a group of workers would be admitted to this group.

"Any unskilled employee whose post carries a measure of personal responsibility and who is not subject to direct supervision will be given 35-1-40 scale.

"Any specific cases in which the scale of 35-1-40 had been allowed to any category and which the Federation considered after an examination of the duties attached to the post carried the scale of 35-1-40 will be examined.

"As regards the splitting up of 80-220 scale, the Railway Board held the view that this gave the Matriculate clerks chances of promotion which they would not have got otherwise and as the initial recruitment of clerks is mostly in the lowest categories and in the absence of any category of clerks for which a University Degree is insisted upon, the scale of 80-220 has not been adopted on the Railways.

RAISING PAY

"Demand No. 3.—As regards the raising of the pay scales of different categories listed in the Federation's resolution, while the Government adhered to the view that the general structure of T.E.C.P.C. scales could not be disturbed. Government were prepared to set up an Anomalies Committee for the following purpose: to examine anomalies arising out of the application of the C.P.C recommendations to railway workers, and to recommend how these might be corrected.

"Any proposal which seeks to carry the Pay Commission's recommendations must be justified on the score of serious injustice of hardships to any particular class of employees in the light of their previous conditions of service.

"Demand No. 4. The scale of pay and allowances for running staff have been announced in the list of the recommendations of the Running Staff Committee and in some cases have been further improved

"Demand No. 5.—As efficiency bars are recommended by the Central Pay Commission, these could not be abolished.

"Demand No. 6.—With reference to the distribution of posts in any category, if a comparison of the present ratios in any railway with similar ratios in the last three pre-war years shows that in the former there has been a considerable shift to the lower grades, the case will be examined.

"In any other case if it is contended that there is serious injustice in the distribution of various grades in any particular category in a railway, it also will be examined."

"Demand No 7. This is covered by the demands Nos 3 and 5.

"Demand No. 8. The Hon'ble Minister of State for Transport and Railways promised to take up personally with the Finance Ministry the question of enhanced local allowances on the basis of the latest population figures. The question was delayed due to differences of opinion on the tests to be evolved for verifying population claims.

"Demand No. 9, The Government will be prepared to discuss with the Federation the facilities required for running the railway grainshops on co-operative lines.

CASUAL LABOUR

"Demand No. 10. The Pay Commission Scales and allowances will be applied to casual labour who will be treated as temporary labour as per the decision of the Railway Board that the limiting period for casual employment not paid from contingencies should be six months.

"Demand No. 11—Protection of pay of non-permanent staff in the workshops in the same basis—applicable to permanent staff is granted and other cases are under examination. Generally, excess payments due to bonafide mistakes will not be recovered.

"Demand No. 12—The decision of the Government on the Adjudicator's award and the C.P.C. recommendations regarding the leave rules is expected before March 1, 1949.

"Demand No. 13—The latest pass rules meet some of the objections raised against the previous rules. The question of retirement passes for Class IV staff will be considered.

BASIC MINIMUM

"Demand No. 14—The basic minimum monthly pay should be deemed to be 48 hours a week and that there will be no variations in emoluments from month to month provided the workman is present for normal working hours of the workshop even if the actual working hours in any month may exceed 208 hours or be lower.

CONCESSIONS

Announcing these concessions sanctioned by the Government following the negotiation between the Federation and the Government, Shri Jai Prakash Narain said: "These are not large concessions but you will agree with me that they are quite appreciable and these will be available to us without going through the risk of a strike"

He requested the Council to consider the national economy which was in turmoil, public opinion which was their main support, and other factors and advised them to follow the path of negotation.

Referring to the Communists, he said that the general policy of the Communist Parties in Asia today was that of creating chaos and confusion in all walks of national life, and in India too that was their present policy. He observed: "In pursuance of its policy the Communist Party of India is trying best to disorganise industry and Government. They hope in this manner to prevent India from growing strong. India is a friend of Russia, but India will never allow Russia or America or any other power, great or small, to interfere with her internal affairs through their quislings and fifth columnists. The sooner people in this country, including railwaymen, realise this, the better if would be for them. Reports of their activities prove that they are guilty of disloyalty to the Federation and have done their best to undermine its authority and disput it from within. I have, therefore, come to the conclusion that the Communists have no place in the Federation any longer. To allow them to continue to use our organisation and or platform is to allow them to complete their task of disruption".

Stop Press

MALAN ILL

CAPETOWN, Feb. 16. (PTI-Reuter): Prime Minister Dr. Daniel Malan appeared to lose track of his notes while speaking in the Assembly this afternoon and suddenly sat down. He left the House without resuming his speech. Later it was said there was nothing seriously wrong with the Premier and that he had suffered a temporary relapse due to overwork.

CAPETOWN, Feb. 16 (PTI-Reuter): South-west African and the Union of South Africa have reached an agreement which will mean "a very big change" in the former's status, Prime Minister Daniel Malan, told the Union Assembly today. Dr. Malan was moving the second reading of the South-west Africa Affairs Amendment Bill.

HYDERABAD (Deccan), Feb. 16 (A.P.I.): The compromise talks between Swami Ramanand Tirth and Mr. Janardhan Rao Desai, which have been going on since their return from Delhi, were stated today to have reached a deadlock.

People IN THE NEWS

GOVT. HOUSE

NEW DELHI, Feb. 16 (API): The Governor-General, Mr. C. Rajagopalachari held a reception in the Government House today. About 1,400 guests were present, including Countess Mountbatten, Lady Pamela Mountbatten, Vice-Admiral H. L. Woodhouse, Commander-in-Chief, East Indies Station, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru Prime Minister, Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, Deputy Prime Minister and other Ministers and members of the Diplomatic Corps.

The Governor-General received the guests and spent two hours among them.

ITALIAN TRADE DELEGATION TO INDIA

LUCKNOW, Feb. 16 (API): The Italian Trade Delegation, now visiting India, will arrive in Lucknow on March 1. They will also visit Kanpur during their four days' stay in the U.P.

PRINCE PETER OF GREECE TO VISIT MALABAR

COLOMBO, Feb. 16 (PTI-Reuter):— Prince Peter of Greece, first cousin of King Paul, arrived here today with his wife, Princess Irene on a month's holiday.

The Prince, who has been on a lecture tour of the United States, is making sociological investigations in Malabar, India, for the Copenhagen Mtuseum.

COUNTESS MOUNTBATTEN AT RAJGHAT

NEW DELHI, Feb. 16 (API): Countess Mountbatten of Burma, Lady Pamela Mountbatten and the Prime Minister, Pandit Nehru visited Rajghat this afternoon to see the Sarvodaya Exhibition.

They first visited Mahatma Gandhi's Samadhi and then spent about 45 minutes in the Exhibition studying the letters and articles written by Mahatma Gandhi and the paintings displayed there.

FEE IN UPPER PRIMARY SCHOOLS

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

The Municipal Schools Committee at its meeting today decided to charge monthly fees for students of the fifth, sixth and seventh standards in Municipal Upper Primary Schools and in the corresponding classes in the Municipal Central Schools from first of March, 1949. The fees to be charged are: Standard Fifth, Rs. 1/8; Standard Sixth, Rs. 1/12; Standard Seventh, Rs. 2/-.

The resolution to this effect was moved by Mr. P. R. Lele and adopted by the Schools Committee with the following conditions:

(1) That there shall be 30 per cent full freeships and 20 per cent half freeships.

(2) That as it is necessary to restrict the number of pupils to be admitted to the Upper Primary Classes, the Secretary of the Schools Committee is requested to lay down a minimum standard of proficiency for admission to the Upper Primary classes.

(3) The Secretary of the Schools Committee is requested to submit proposals regarding the distribution of freeships so that, without affecting the minimum standard of proficiency, Harijans, Backward Classes and poorer classes should derive the maximum advantage.

NEW COMMITTEE

In the election that took place today the following members continue to remain as members of the Schools Committee for the next year.

(1) Mr. Moiuddin Harris, (2) Mr. H. K. Patel, (3) Mr. V. B. Warlikar, (4) Mr. P. R. Lele, (5) Mr. M. V. Donde, (6) Mrs. Sulochana Modi, (7) Mrs. Sufi Tyabji, (8) Mr. Mirza Akthar Hussan.

The remaining members retired according to the convention and new elections will take place in March in the Municipal Corporation.

WARDENS URGE RELEASE FROM PRISON

RANGOON, Feb. 16. (P.T.I.-Reuter): The Indian Emabassy was to-day urged by 125 Indians employed as wardens at Insein Jail to secure their release from the Burmese Government service. They said all their belongings had been looted or destroyed in the fighting.

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For importing cotton cloth without a permit, ABUBUKAR SAMSUDDIN was convicted and sentenced to one day's simple imprisonment and fined Rs. 200 or in default to undergo 2 months' rigorous imprisonment.

For storing wholemilk on the premises of hotel and serving wholemilk tea, BRINDABAN MANGATRAM was convicted and sentenced to one day's simple imprisonment and fined Rs. 100 or in default to undergo one month's rigorous imprisonment on each of the two counts.

For possessing jawar in excess of the possession limit, RAJLING LINGAYYA was convicted and sentenced to one day's simple imprisonment and fined Rs. 100.

BOMBAY Stock Exchange

REPLACEMENT BUYING IN TATA STEEL SHARES

BOMBAY Feb. 16.

The local Share Bazar opened quiet and declined under scattered liquidation. In view of the uncertainty regarding the Budget, trading has narrowed and price fluctuations are confined to a narrow range. Open interest in forward contracts is limited except in Tata Steel Defd. Shares which are manipulated by professional operators who are banking on increase in Steel prices and tax reliefs.

Tata Steel Defds. Shares opened at Rs. 1589/12 and after declining at Rs. 1580 steadied at Rs. 1582/8. Ordinary shares opened at Rs. 290 and after declining at Rs. 288 steadied at Rs. 289. Bombay Dyeing Shares opened at Rs. 943/12 and after declining at Rs. 936/4 steadied at Rs. 937 8 while Kohinoors opened at Rs. 275 and quickened at Rs. 272/8.

Later on there was moderate covering and earlier losses were recovered Tata Steel Defd. Shares improved at Rs. 1592/8 while Ordinary Shares came in business at Rs. 291/8 Indian Irons were quoted at Rs. 23/3 and Bengal Steels were done at Rs. 21/-.

Bombay Dyeings improved at Rs. 942/8 while Central India's were done at Rs. 236/4 Kohinoors advanced at Rs. 277/8 Simplex and Gokaks were placed at Rs. 176/- and at Rs. 276/4 respectively Swadeshi shares were quoted at Rs. 273/12.

Bellapurs were placed at Rs. 218/12 while Bombay Burma's were done at Rs. 275. Scindia Shares improved at Rs. 18/8 and Associated Cements were quoted at Rs. 151/14. Closing tone was steady with replacement buying in steel shares.

FORWARD SECTION

MILL SHARES	
Bombay Dyeing (12-8)	942 8
Kohinoor Mills (6)	275 8
Swadeshi Mills (22)	274 0
Central India Mills (4)	236 0
Simplex Mills (8)	177 0
New Great Eastern (10)	159 8
Indore (9 plus 3)	172 8
Gokak Mills (20)	276 0
Century Spinning (15)	230 0
Colaba (12)	145 0
India Bleaching (6)	151 8
Swan Mills (20)	310 0
Finlay Mills (15)	272 0
Morarji Goculdas XD	470 0
Edward Sassoon (30) XR	240 0
Meyer (12) XD	115 0
Apollo Mills (As. 4)	2 12
India United Ord. (0-13-9)	10 15
India United Defd. (0-1-6)	1 9
Madhusudan Mills (15)	185 0
Podar (8)	140 0
Khatau Makanji (8)	205 0
Indore Coupon	92 8
STEEL SHARES	
Tata Steel Ord. (14)	291 8
Tata Steel Defd. (64-15)	1591 4
Tata Steel 2nd Pref. (7-8)	136 8
CEMENT	
Associated Cement (6)	151 0
INDUSTRIES	
Burma (12-8)	275 0
Belapur Sugar (9)	218 0
Shivrajpur Syndicate (1-8)	28 8
Scindia Steam (0-8)	18 8 6
Premier Construction	116 12
Tata Chemical	12 3
Tata Oil (2)	64 4
Indian Iron (0-12)	23 0
Bengal Steel (0-8-0)	21 0
British India Corp. (0-10)	8 4
I. Copper	2 3
Wimco X R	187 8
Alcock	267 8
Belapur Coupon	59 0
ELECTRIC SHARES	
Tata Hydro (4-4-0)	153 0
Andhra Valley (45)	1422 8
Tata Power (50)	1520 0

CASH SECTION

COTTON MILLS	
Elphinstone Mills (5)	63 8
Phoenix Mills (50) X R	220 0
Indian Manufacturing	4350 0
Kooria Mills (8)	120 0
New City Mills (10)	300 0
Minerva	118 1
Bradbury	567 8
Bharat Mills (2)	30 12
Bharucha Defd (0-4)	6 6
Bharat Mills (2)	21 0
Mysore Spg Mills (8)	172 8
Madhavji Dharamsi (0-12)	16 8
Model Mills (12-8)	180 0
Lakshmi Cotton (25)	595 0
Vishnu Cotton (8)	203 8
Western India (40)	4070 0
Bhatapur Mills (200)	3500 0
Sassoon Cotton Mills (0-8)	10 8
Hindustan Mills (40)	4225 0
Tata Mills (3)	57 4
Ahmedabad Advance Old (9)	358 12
Ahmedabad Advance New	196 0
Sassoon Silk (3)	77 4
New Union Mills (0-8)	13 1
Madhusudan B (2-8)	35 8
Srinivas Mills (8)	175 0
Rata Bahadur Poona (4)	100 0
Berar Mills	280 0
Victoria Mills	225 0
Colaba Land Coupon	42 0
New Great New	156 0
ELECTRICS (CASH)	
Ahmedabad Electric (1-8)	121 4
Ahmedabad New	13 12
Surat Electricity (3-8)	147 1
Karachi Electric (2)	131 4
Broach (0-8)	10 12
Ajmer Electricity (0-8)	10 7
Amalgamated (0-12)	12 8
Nagpur Electricity (1-12)	20 8
Poona Electric Supply (8)	150 0
Bombay Suburban (3)	151 4
Bombay Suburban (3) XD	141 4
BANK SHARES	
Imperial Bank of India (35)	1860 0
Imperial Bank of India (8-12)	458 12
Central Bank New (1-8)	84 0
Bank of India (4) XR	196 0
Union (0-8)	7 12
Bank of Baroda (2-8)	138 0
Devkaran Nanjee Bank (1-8)	45 0
United Commercial (1-8)	58 8
Jaipur Bank (1-6)	35 4
Hindustan Commercial	38 12
Mysore Bank (8)	365 0
Exchange Bank (1 6)	20 8
Eastern Bank (0-11-6)	186 0
INSURANCE	
Oriental (125) XD	4100 0
Empire (10)	675 0
New India (1-8)	61 12
Jupiter (1-4)	21 0
Vulcum (0-10)	11 11
Indian Mercantile (2)	39 0
Universal (0-4)	11 4
B.I.G. (1)	18 1
Industrial and Prudential	20 1
Neptune Assurance	9 8
New Great	25 0
All-India General	17 8
RAILWAY SHARES	
Central Provinces (1-14)	114 0
Pachora Jumner Rly (2-8)	120 4
MISCELLANEOUS SHARES	
Bombay Steamer (10)	250 ...
Bombay Burma New (5)	103 12
Burma Petrol	1 7 6
Mackenzie (6)	58 0
Port Canning (3)	66 0
Kemp and Co (30)	442 4
Kemp and Co. (New)	462 8
Sandu Pharmacy (7)	150 8
Industrial Invest Trust (4)	89 0
Dharamsey Chemical (2)	36 8
Mukund Iron	19 8
Dena Trust (0-12)	18 0
Alembic (15)	192 8
Supreme India XR	123 12
Jam Wire (6)	67 8
Bombay Uganda	69 8
Bombay Motor Cycle	34 8
Indian Cement (1937)	25 0
Walchand Nagar Industries (B.S.)	137 8
United Motor	74 0
Associated Cement New (1-4)	
Bombay Safe Deposit (27)	1002 8
Hydary Construction	19 10
Mahmadi Steam	96 0
Gujarat Motor	20 0
Sardar Carbonic XD	750 0
Harvey Press	319 0
Estrela Batteries	61 0
Manmad Press	130 0
PREFERENCE SHARES	
Tata Steel 1st (6)	180 0
Andhra Valley (7)	1247 8
Tata Power (7-8)	1235 0
Hydro Electric (7)	120 0
Bombay Steamer (6)	308 12
Central India (5)	625 0
Swadeshi Mills	128 12
Vishnu Mills (7)	633 12
Lakshmi Mills	275 0
New Great Mills (5-8)	227 8
Podar Mills (4)	108 0
Shrinivas Mills	98 0
Elphinstone Mills (7)	116 4
Bradbury Mills (7-8)	310 0
Surat Electricity (3-4)	145 0
Premier Construction 1st (6 1/4)	120 0
Amalgamated (5-8)	122 2
Premier Construction 2nd (6-4)	102 8
Habib	92 0
Tata Chemical (5)	131 14
Walchand Nagar Indus (7)	130 0
Jupiter General	19 14
Supreme	100 0
Meyer	121 4
Mackenzie 1st	85 0
Mackenzie 2nd	80 0
Ahmedabad Advance	132 8
Mysore Mills	50 0
Standard Mills	101 0
Madhusudan Mills	13 8
Khatau Mills	104 0
Morarji	104 0
DEBENTURES	
Andhra 1952 (4)	103 8
Bombay Steamer (1959) (4-8)	101 10
Indian Sume Pipe (8)	108 0
Tata Power 1951	103 0
Walchand Nagar (6)	112 0
OUTSIDE SHARES	
Burma Corporation	2 13
New Victoria Mill	2 8
New Victoria Pref.	5 2
Phalton Sugar (8) X.D.	120 0
Gold Mohur (20)	280 0
New Kaiser-Hind	360 0
Sajjad Mills (20)	135 0
Osmanshahi Mills (10)	300 0
Azam Jahi Mills (10)	340 0
Air Service XR	6 0
Air India	102 0
Hind Motor	4 12
Indian Steam	8 11

INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE

BOMBAY, Feb. 16.

Tata Ordinary 291/8 Tata Deferred 1591/4 Indian Iron 23 Steel Corpn. of Bengal 21 Bombay Dyeing 942/8 Central India 236 4 Gokak 276/4 Kohinoor 275/10 Simplex 177/8 Swadeshi 274 6 Tata Power 1512/8 Associated Cement 151/4 Belapur 218/12 Bombay Burma (Old) 275 Scindia 18/8/6 Central Bank 87 New India 61/12 Tata and Pref. 136/4.

BOMBAY COTTON

Bombay, Feb. 16

There was no forward business today in the local cotton market. The Government have made clear their decision not to make any change in ceiling and floor prices. This means virtual end of forward business this season in the local cotton market.

INDIAN COTTON PARITY

Indian Cotton May Contract is 829 cent points below New York May at Exchange rate 331.

ALEXANDRIA COTTON

ALEXANDRIA, Feb. 15.

KARNAK—	
March	87.95+160
May	84.65+ 45
ASHMOUNI—	
February	53.00+ 35
April	53.40+ 15

Indian Cotton Figures.

	1948-49 Bales	1947-89 Bales
RECEIPTS (By Rail & Sea)		
11th February to 12th February	31898	37714
RECEIPTS (By Rail & Sea)		
1st Sept. to 14th February	663494	876077
SHIPMENTS:		
11th to 14th February	...	500
United Kingdom	..	...
Continent	...	...
China	..	..
Japan	..	...
Coast Ports	2504	50
SHIPMENTS:		
1st Sept. to 14th February:		
United Kingdom	9421	17019
Continent	84962	194091
China	11501	151399
Japan	1344	136486
U. S. A.	10776	27995
Other Foreign Countries	3144	19626
Total all Foreign Countries	121148	546616
Coast Ports	110629	35771
Total	231777	582387
TRANSHIPMENT IN BOMBAY HARBOUR DURING THE MONTH OF DECEMBER Total	...	304
1st Sept to 31st December Total	81	7087

PRODUCE MARKET

Bombay, Feb. 16

Today the Produce market developed irregular price movement. Bulls were again active in Castorseeds while Groundnuts were easy on issuance of tenders.

Castorseeds May delivery opened at Rs. 134-2 and advanced at Rs. 134-6 while Groundnuts February-March delivery declined at Rs. 34-7.

Quotations were as under:—

GROUNDNUTS—			
Khandesh quality	35	8	0
Coromandal	35	0	0
Bold ready	34	6	0
Bold Feb-March	34	7	0
Bold April-May	34	14	0
CASTORSEEDS—			
May delivery	134	5	0
Ready	28	8	0
LINSEEDS—			
Ready	26	1	0
Feb-March	26	0	0
April-May	26	1	0
GROUNDNUT OILS—			
Ready receipts	20	8	0
February	19	15	0
March	20	9	0
April	20	1	0
Linseed Oil	16	12	0
Castorseed oil first pressing	19	0	0
Castorseed oil Commercial Quality	17	8	0
Gingellyseed	225 to 230		

GOVERNMENT LOANS

BOMBAY, Feb. 16.

2 1/4 per cent 1954	98 8
2 1/2 per cent 1950	100 4
2 1/2 per cent 1956	99 14
2 1/2 per cent 1961	96 15
2 3/4 per cent 1960	99 7
2 3/4 per cent 1962	99 1
2 3/4 per cent 1976	97 14
3 per cent non-terminable	98 11
3 per cent 1938 Con	98 9 6
3 per cent 1949-52	100 8
3 per cent 1951-54	101 6
3 per cent 1953-55	101 7
3 per cent 1957	101 5
3 per cent 1959-61	100 14
3 per cent 1963-65	99 14
3 per cent 1966-68	98 12
3 1/2 per cent 1954-59	104 10
3 per cent 1970-75	100 0
4 per cent 1960-70	110 10
4 1/2 per cent 1955-60	112 0
4 1/2 per cent 1963-68	115 4
PROVINCIAL LOANS.	
2 3/4 per cent U P 1961	98 2
2 3/4 per cent Madras 1961	98 2
3 per cent Punjab 1949	98 8
3 per cent Bombay 1955	100 12
3 per cent Bombay 1958	100 12
3 per cent Madras 1952-53	100 10
3 per cent U.P. 1952	100 8
3 per cent C.P. 1952	100 8
3 per cent N.W.F. 1952	99 10
3 per cent U.P. 1961-66	100 0
4 per cent Bombay Municipality D.	110 8
5 per cent Bom. Muni. 1959	114 0
6 per cent Bom. Muni. 1954	115 0

Record Of Actual Transactions In Shares

BOMBAY, Feb. 16.

MILLS

Apollo 2-12 2-13
Bharat 31-8 31
B. Dyeing 943-12 37-9 45 42-8
Century 230
Colaba 145
Finlay 272
Gokak 276 75 76-8 76
I.U. Defd. 1-8-6 1-9
I.U. Ord. 10-13 10-12-6 10-15
Indore 172-8
Kohinoor 275 72-8 75-8
Laxmi 595
Model 180
New City 200
New Great 159-8
Podar 140
Simplex 177 77-8 75-8 77-8 77
Svadeshi 275 72-8 74
Swan 310
Tata Mills 57 57-4
Minerva 118-12

STEAMER

Scindia 18-6 18-3 18-9 18-8-6

BANKS

Baroda 138 37-8
Central 86-12 87 86-4 87
Central A New 88-8 84
Imperial Old 1856-4 60
Imperial New 458-12
India 196
Union 7-12 7-13
U. Commercial 59 58-8

ELECTRIC

Ahmedabad 121-4
Andhra Valley 1422-8
Suburban 151-4
Hydro 153
Power 1520
New India 61-12

STEEL

B. Steel 20-13 20-7 21
I. Iron 22-14 22-8 23-2 23
Tata Defd. 1587-8, 78-12 85 82-8 93-12 91-4
Tata Ord. 290 88 89-8 88-8 91-8
Tata 1st Pref. 180
Tata 2nd Pref. 136-8

MISCELLANEOUS

Alcock 267-8
A.C.C. Old 151-8 50-12 51
A.C.C. New 145 44-8
Belapur 214 16 14 19-8 18
B.B. Old 273-12 71-4 75
B.B. New 103-12
B.B Petrol 1-7-6
Dena Trust 18
P. Const 115 13 18-8 16-8 17 16-12
I. Bleaching 151 50 52-8 51-8
Tata Chem. 12-4 12-2 12-8
Tata Oil 64-12 65 64-4
Wimco 183-12 87-8

GOLD & SILVER

Bombay, Feb. 16

The Bullion market was firm with active demand in view of usual uncertainty of the budget. Some traders were buying either Gold or Silver with a view to escape from the death duty and supply being limited, prices are moving up.

Quotations were as under:—

Ready Silver	Rs. 188	0	0
Ready Gold	118	8	0
Sovereigns	76	2	0

INCREASE OF RS. 862 LAKHS IN NOTES CIRCULATION

The weekly statement of the Reserve Bank of India for the week ended Feb. 11 shows an increase of Rs. 862,70,000 in the total notes in circulation. Details are as under.

ISSUE DEPARTMENT

LIABILITIES	Rs.
Notes held in the Banking Department	12,10,57,000
Notes in circulation	1190,57,76,000
Total Notes issued	1202,68,33,000
Total Liabilities	1202,68,33,000
ISSETS	Rs.
Gold Coin and Bullion:—	Rs.
(a) Held in India	40,55,21,000
(b) Held outside India	...
Foreign Securities	752,51,43,000
Rupee Coin	42,84,79,000
Government of India Rupee Securities	366,76,90,000
Total Assets	1202,68,33,000
Ratio of Total of A to Liabilities 65.941 per cent.	

BANKING DEPARTMENT

LIABILITIES	Rs.
Capital paid up	5,00,00,000
Reserve Fund	500,00,000
Deposits:	
(a) Government	
(1) Central Government	207,13,36,000
(2) Other Governments	12,26,89,000
(b) Banks	59,83,00,000
(c) Others	68,61,15,000
Bills Payable	4,69,77,000
Other Liabilities	10,75,15,000
Rupees	873,29,32,000

ASSETS	Rs
Notes	12,10,57,000
Rupee Coin	7,84,000
Subsidiary Coin	1,61,000
Bills Purchased and Discounted:—	
Internal	47,83,000
Government Treasury Bills	11,86,33,000
Balances held abroad	232,59,22,000
Loans and Advances to Governments	8,63, 00,000
Other Loans and Advances	4,76,31,000
Investments	99,21,20,000
Other Assets	3,55,41,000
Rupees	373,29,32,000

Art-Silk Yarn

BOMBAY, Feb. 16.

150 D. Feb.	3	3	5
150 D. March (200 lbs.)	642	0	0
150 D. Ready	3	3	9
120 D. Ready	3	8	3

MONEY MARKET

BOMBAY, Feb. 16.

B. O Rates T. T. D. D. 1/5 15/16 Ready.
B. O. Rates T. T. D. D. 1/5 29/32 up to 6 Mos.
London Banks Selling T. T. D. D 1/5 31/32 Ready.
London Banks Selling T. T. D. D 1/5 15/16 upto 6 Months.
London Banks Buying T. T. 1/6 1/32 to 9th Month.
London Banks Buying T. T. 1/6 1/16 10th-12th Month.
London Banks Buying D. D. 1/6 1/16 to 4th Month.
London Banks Buying D. D. 1/6 3/32 5th and 6th Month
London Banks Buying O. D. 1/6 1/8 7th-9th Month.
London Banks Buying 60 and 90 d/st. 1/6 1/8 to 4th Month.
London Banks Buying 60 and 90 d/st 1/6 5/32 to 5th-6th Months.
London Banks Buying 60 and 90 d/st 1/6 3/16 7th-9th Month.
London Banks Buying 120 d/st 1/6 5/32 to 4th Month.
London Banks Buying 120 d/st 1/6 3/16 5th and 6th Month.
London Banks Buying 120 d/st 1/6 7/32 7th-9th Month
New York & Montreal B. O. Rate T. T. Rs. 332 1/4.
Banks Selling T. T. D. D. Rs. 332 1/4.
Banks Buying T. T. Rs. 330
Banks Buying D D. N. Y Rs. 328 3/4
Montreal Rs. 328 1/2.
Banks Buying D. D. N. Y. Rs. 329 Montreal Rs. 328 3/4 L/C.
Paris Banks Selling T. T. Fcs. 7660.
Paris Banks Buying T. T. Fcs. 8060.
Amsterdam Banks Selling T. T. D. D Fl. 79.
Belgium Banks Selling T. T. D. D Fcs. 1305.
Java Banks Selling T. T. D. D. Gldn 79.
Hongkong Banks Selling T. T. D. D Rs. 84.
Singapore Banks Selling T. T. D. D Rs. 157.
Manila Banks Selling T. T. D. D. Rs. 165 1/4.
New York/London Cross Rate dol 4.02 3/4 to 4.03 1/4; London/Afghanistan Cross Rate Afghani Rs. 52.57-53-43; London/Alexandria Cross Rate Pia. 97 1/4-3/4; London/Amsterdam Cross Rate Fl. 10 68-70; London/Bangkok Cross Rate Tcl. 40; London/Belgium Cross Rate Fcs. 176 1/2-3/4; London/Denmark Cross Rate Kr. 19.32-36; London/Hongkong Cross Rate 1/3 1/16-1/2 15/16; London/Iran Cross Rate Rl. 128/130; London/Java Cross Rate Fl. 10.68-70; London/Lisbon Cross Rate Es. 99.80-100.20; London/Manila Cross Rate Pes. 8.09-8.14; London/Montreal Cross Rate dol. 4.02 3/4-4.03 1/4; London/New York Cross Rate dol. 4.02 3/4-4.03 1/4; London/Oslo Cross Rate Kr. 19.98-20.02; London/Paris Cross Rate Fcs. 1061—1063; London/Prague Cross Rate K. 201-202; London/Singapore Cross Rate, 2/4 1/16-2/4 3/16; London/Stockholm Cross Rate Kr. 14.47-50; London/Switzerland Cross Rate Frcs. 17.34-36.
London Discts. 2 Mos. 9/16 p.c.; London Discts. 6 Mos. 5/8 p.c.
Reserve Bank Rate 3 p.c.; Bank of England Rate 2 p.c.
Money: Call 1/2 p.c.; 3 Mos. 3/4 p.c.; 6 Mos. 1 p.c.; 12 Mos. 1-1/2

NEW YORK SILVER

NEW YORK, Feb. 15.

U. S. price of foreign silver 71-1/2 cents.

LONDON BULLION

LONDON, Feb. 15.

Silver Spot and Forward 43 d
Gold bars fine per oz. £8/12/3

OPTIMISTIC VIEWS OF EXPORT OUTLOOK HELP N. Y. COTTON

Better Interest In Steels On Wall Street Market

NEW YORK, Feb. 15.

After opening losses reflecting liquidation of near March, New Orleans selling and technical considerations the market steadied slightly on mill buying and covering. Later prices again declined on increased hedging and profit-taking with the weakness in grains a chief depressing factor.

In the afternoon prices advanced briskly on appearance of more aggressive trade demand stimulated by active spring operations finding contracts much more scarce. Steadier outsidemarkets and optimistic views regarding the export outlook were helpfulfactors. Finally profit-taking checked the improvement. The marked closed steady. Sales were approximately300,000 bales.

NEW YORK COTTON

	Closings
March	32.38—02
March highest	32.45+05
March lowest	32.08—32
May	32.19—02
July	31.17—01
October	28.30—02
Dec.	28.10
Middling Spot	35.56

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

	Closings
March	32.38+10
May	32.22+05
July	31.17+04
October	28.30+01
Middling Spot	32.50

WALL STREET MARKET.

Trading this morning was limited and the market drifting with main attention focussed on Washington and the Commodity markets. In slow trade price changes either way rarely reached one dollar with losses slightly in the majority and numerous pivotal issues unchanged. The averages were Industrials 171.90 and rails 48.81.

Although trading remained restricted price balance drifted narrowly to the upside during the afternoon when a trifle better interest developed in selected steels, tobaccos, oils electric manufacturing and department stores. All the averages finished a trifle higher at a steady close.

CHICAGO GRAINS.

CHICAGO, Feb. 15.

Following an irregularly lower start prices dropped sharply in extremely active dealings under general liquidation and stoploss selling which encountered only limited demand from commercial dealers. The selling was partly attracted by the department of agriculture official's statement expressing concern over storage space for grains during the current year. He added that the next winter wheat crop estimate might show an increase of 200 million bushels owing to almost perfect weather conditions.

CHICAGO WHEAT

CHICAGO, Feb. 15.

May	2.16
July	1.93
September	1.94
December	1.95

LONDON WHEAT

LONDON, Feb. 15.

London Australian wheat fob Bulk 96/- Feb-March New crop.

New York Pepper Prices

NEW YORK, Feb. 15 (UPA.) Black pepper closed inactive and nominally unchanged to 200 higher on the New York Produce Exchange today.

The spot market, after Monday's sharp rise softened with the sharp decline in grain prices and other food prices when wheat declined nearly seven cents per bushel.

Spot Lampong was offered at 65 cents afloat and future positions averaged 63 cents.

White pepper remained firm at 95 cents per lb.

The strength of Singapore market brought higher offerings from Bombay overnight but some dealers indicated Cochin basis averaged around three cents lower than Bombay.

New York re-sellers' prices included: January/March around 58 cents and March/May 56 cents, ex-dock basis.

Closing prices all nominal, included:

March 61, May 55, July-Sept. 50, Oct. 45, Dec-Ja. 44.

In the ready market black pepper was quoted at 65 cents and white at 95 cents.

London Pepper Firm

LONDON, Feb. 15 (UPA.): The pepper market ruled firm in London today at 4/3-1/4 for white and black unchanged at 3/3.

Malabar, February/March U K basis, was quoted at 325, 5 higher than on the previous day.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

NEW YORK, Feb. 15

American Telephone and Telegraph 145-1/4; Amerex Holding Co. 25; Anaconda Copper Mining 32-1/8; Chase National Bank 34-3/4; Sinclair Oil 19-7/8; Firestone Tyre and Rubber Co. 46 1/8; General Electric Co. 36-3/8; General Motors 59-1-4 exdiv.; Ingersol Rand 62-1/2; International Nickel 28-7/8; National City Bank of New York 36-3/4; New York Central Rail Road Co. 10-3/4; Socony Vaccuum Corporation 15-1/4; Texas Corporation 49-3/4; Union Carbide 37-3/8; U. S. Smelting Refining Mining Co. 42-5/8; U. S. Steel Corporation Common 72-1/4; Western Union Telegraph 15

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

LONDON, Feb. 15.

Consols 2½%	£81-1/4
Conversion Loan 3½% 1961	£107-1/8
Funding Loan 4% 1960-90	£114-5/8
War Loan 3½% 1952 and after	£103-13/16
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Lonon Reg.	£102-1/2
National Bank of India	£39-1/2

Transactions on the London Stock Exchange are officially placed at 6,578.

Shipping News

IMPORTS

BOMBAY, February 16.

s.s. BHADRAVATI

From Colombo: 436 bales rubber. 434 bags arecanuts, 45 bales raw rubber.

From Karachi: 3,451 bales cotton. 3,908 bags goowar, 753 packages khishmish, 140 bags darakh, 75 bags badam, 96 bundles abjosh 114 bags cotton seeds.

From Karachi: 1,255 bales cotton. 351 bags dry dates, 31 bags badam, 279 cases khishmish, 368 bags cuminseeds, 1,050 bags cottonseeds oil cakes, 111 bags hinges 642 bags goowar.

s.s. CITY OF LILY

From St. John: 130 drums carbide of calcium, 3,870 bundles white birch wood, 2,411 bundles birchwood squares, 75 cases cellulose lacquers, 1,330 bundles white birch spool wood, 148 boxes aluminium sheet circles, 174 boxes auto parts, 27 boxes porcelain insulators, 79 rolls standard newsprint paper, 125 cases milk powder, 937 bundles birch squares, 161 rolls newsprint paper.

s.s. VESTEROY

From Oslo: 240 bales manufactured duck bond, 290 cases wrought iron nails, 767 bales paper, 104 bales mechanical printing paper, 861 pieces tramseed, 41 bales duplex boards, 63 drums sperun oil, 36 bales writing paper.

From Antwerp: 43 cases photo papers, 58 cases cinema raw film.

From Rotterdam: 45 bales paper, 827 bags maize starch powder, 152 bales poster paper, 126 cases rayon yarns, 2000 bags barley, 1,675 cases beer. 300 cases fuller cream sprung milk powder, 100 cases crown corks, 100 bags thin carawayseeds, 1,038 cases tinplates, 65 boxes special lamps, 565 boxes glow lamps, 325 cases bottled Cognac, 1,050 cases brandy, 135 cases Dischines syrup, 38 cases wine, 2,900 cases sweet condensed milk.

From Lisbon: 193 bags corks, 925 ctns cork boards.

From Genoa: 50 cases iron dog chains.

s.s. EXHIBITOR

From New York: 928 drums lubricating oil, 190 drums lubricating grease, 45 drums textile finishing oil, 308 cases paint, 90 ctns electric accessories, 140 drums acid citric usp, 600 bags punacerol, 82 drums sellogen, 600 drums white petroleum oil, 220 cases standard typewriters, 113 bundles Mecano, 251 bundles galvanized pipes, 53 cases graphite electrodes, 70 cases chaff cutter knives, 233 bales secondhand clothing, 41 cases steel files, 59 cases files, 72 drums moulding powder 85 cases centrifugal pumps, 69 drums plastic sheeting, 82 cases textile machinery, 190, cases auto battery parts, 153 crates electric lightings, 406+854 drums caustic soda, 3,489 drums electrolytic copped ingot bars, 365 pieces steel plates, 81 case aluminium circles, 700 bags soda ash, 200 cylinders anhydrous ammonia, 1,000 drums paint, 252 drums water proof cement, 789 packages auto parts.

From Philadelphia: 35 cases warrated plant and accessories textile machinery, 130 bundles springs, 142 drums diesel oil, 77 drums diesel fuel oil, 950 drums lubricating oil, 100 cnts confectionary, 200 bags camphor, 665 drums petroleum lubricating oil, 507 bundles steel reinforcing bars.

From Baltimore: 830 boxes tinplates.

From Port Sudan: 250 bags gum arabic

s.s. STEEL KING

From New York: 732 crates porcelain insulators, 1,089 cases porcelain insulator fittings, 40 bales long cloth, 116 packages medicines, 182 cases royal standard typewriters, 230 ctns agricultural plough discs, 57 cases machine screws, 103 cases provision, 49 packages auto parts, 1,257 bars electrolytic copper scrap, 777 bundles steel tubing, 300 drums lubricating oil 375 bundles band iron. 6,471 bars ingot-bars of copper. 63 bundles Mecanos, 182 drums accessories, 125 bales projector carbons.

From New Orleans: 200 drums spindle oil, 550 drums lubricating oil, 150 bags Tripoli powder, 988 drums diesel oil, 96 boxes ploughs.

From Newport: 236 cases leaf tobacco.

From Alexandria: 925 bales cotton.

EXPORTS

GOODS ENTERED FOR EXPORT

S.S. CILICIA

To Liverpool:—18 bales wool raw—Kishorchandra.

S.S. PALIKANDA

To Havre:—26 bales hemp—M. Dawoodbhai.

To Hull:—2632 bags linseed—Rallis India Ltd.

S.S. NETRAVATI

To Karachi—21 bags drug im., 13 bags dry ginger and 11 bags black pepper—H. H. Begmohmed. 51 bags hemay and 31 boras puppy shell—M. M. H. Adamji, 1,000 bags dry chillies—H. H. H. Peermohmed, 100 bags dry chillies—H. A. H. Adamji, 20 cases dry pluff—K. Vallabhdas and Co., 40 crates bidiies—H. Chunilal, 101 bags tamarind—H. Essak.

S. S. KHOSROV

To Jeddah: 5 bags assoka seed—A. A. Kadar 10 cases castor oil—A. A. Kadar, 25 bales cotton waste—A. A. Kadar, 10 cases leather footware, A. A. Kadar.

S. S. UMARIA

To Maritius: 20 bales cotton fly—Gokuldas & Co., Ltd., 25 bags turmeric—G. H. H. Mamoojee.

To Colombo: 25 bags corriander seed and 15 bags fenel seed—Indo-Overseas Exp. Co.

S. S. JALMOTI

To London: 40 cases bristles—Habibarani & Sons, 37 cases bristles—D. B. Mehta & Sons, 56 cases bristles—C. M. T. Roshanlal, 240 bags black pepper—C. Ujamshibhai.

To Alexandria: 80 bags black pepper—B. Ramsingh.

s. s. LEMSTERKERK

To Rotterdam— 51 bales raw goat skin—Gerdan India Corp.

110 bales cotton raw—Volkart Bros.

To Antwerp:— 200 bales cotton raw—Volkart Bros.

To Marseilles— 65 bags turmeric—S. M. Rajgor and Co., 150 bales cotton raw—Volkart Bros.

To Bahrein—200 bales cotton raw and 165 bales cotton yellow pickings—Volkart Bros.

s. s. TURKSHEAD

To Hongkong: 100 bales cotton raw—Volkart Bros.

To Kobe:— 1170 bales cotton waste Chunilal and Co.

BY AIR

To Karachi— 85 parcels art silk piecegoods—E. Kassam. 65 parcels art silk piecegoods—H. M. S. Mohmed.

Arrivals And Departures Of Steamers

BOMBAY, Feb. 16

ARRIVALS

s.s. "Promise"—from Madras with genl. cargo on Feb. 15

s.s. "Jalakanya"—from Boston with genl cargo on Feb. 16.

s.s. "Khosrou"—from Alexandria with genl. cargo on Feb. 15.

DEPARTURES

s.s. "Indian Pioneer"—for Calcutta with genl. cargo on Feb 14.

s.s. "Haligonian Queen"—for Calcutta in ballast on Feb. 15.

s.s. "Nawab"—for Karachi with grain, timber and genl. cargo on Feb. 15.

DUE TO ARRIVE

s.s. "Jal-Jawahar"—on 18-2-49 from U.K./Continent. Captain: J. F. Taylor.

DUE TO SAIL

s.s. "Jalamoti"—21-2-49 for U.K./Continent. Captain: T. Mather.

Scindia Buy Two Steamers For Newly Formed Corporation

NEW YORK, Feb. 15, (PTI-Reuter): Two Canadian Victory type vessels each of 10,000 tons deadweight have been purchased by the Scindia Steam Navigation Co. of Bombay. It was learned here.

The vessels—"Harmac", "Croston" and "Harmac Chemainus"—will go into "far east services" in connection with the newly-formed shipping corporation, which the Indian Government is sponsoring.

Both vessels are expected to be put into service by the end March, according to a spokesman for the shipping company which negotiated the deal.

Second Cotton Forecast-Indian Union 1948-49

The area shown during 1948-49 is 8,630,000 acres which is 1.0 per cent less than the corresponding revised figure for 1947-48.

The details according to trade

Nanda On Need To Fight Inflation

NASIK, Feb. 16. (APD): "No nation can survive if it does not take care of the essential moral basis of life," declared Mr. Gulzarilal Nanda, Bombay's Labour Minister, addressing students of the H. P. T. College here last evening.

Mr. Nanda said India was experiencing an unparalleled crisis and the economic situation was particularly dangerous, the main index of the economic situation was the price level of commodities and the problem mainly was of under-production. Due to high prices, Mr. Nanda said, capital instead of being invested in productive fields is being invested in commodities, causing in turn further pressure on commodities, which were already in short supply. Therefore the prices must be brought down quickly he said.

Mr. Nanda said the chief task before them was that of economic recovery, rebuilding and reconstruction. To achieve this decrease in consumption and increase in production by maximum utilisation of existing resources was necessary.

NANDA'S ADVICE TO WOMEN

NASIK, Feb. 16. (UPI): Speaking to members of the Bhagini Samaj today, Mr. Gulzarilal Nanda, Labour Minister of the Government of Bombay, said that women's responsibilities had increased with the advent of freedom. It was up to them, he stated, to educate themselves and their illiterate sisters so that they could bring up their children in a manner not ill-becoming citizens of free India. It was for their capacity for hard work and sacrifice, the Minister declared, that Mahatma gate in an effective and glorious pate in an effective and glorious manner in the country's fight for freedom.

PROBLEMS OF WORKERS

Later, addressing a crowded public meeting of bidi workers, Mr. Nanda touched on the various problems which confronted workers in many places, and said that if labour's demand for increased wages were conceded, prices would rise, and there would, consequently, be a fall in the sale of commodities. This, in its turn, would lower production, and cause retrenchment and unemployment, he added.

Explaining the machinery created by Government in order to redress the wrongs of the workers, Mr. Nanda observed that the main idea of it was to bring employer and employee together on a common platform and make them work together and in harmony for the good of the country at large.

GUJARAT FAMINE HITS CITY MILK TRADE

Plea To Government For Fixing Price After Inquiry

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

Grievances of Bombay's Milk trade were ventilated at a meeting of the Milk Policy Committee of the Association of the Milk Producers of Bombay which came off at the Old Milk Market today.

The consensus of opinion among those present was that the scarcity and famine conditions prevailing in certain parts of Gujarat had their adverse repercussions on the milk trade, which was already hit hard during and after the war. Several speakers pointed out that every year nearly 12,000 dry cattle were being sent to different parts of Gujarat, where they were reared at a nominal cost. Owing to famine very few cattle were sent this year, and even those that were sent had to be brought back in a miserable and famished condition. They had become a problem to the milk producers in Bombay as the cost of their maintenance in the city was extremely heavy. There was no accommodation for them nor sufficient fodder to feed them. Needless to say this had strangled the milk trade.

NO MORE IMPORT

The meeting resolved that under the present circumstances no more cattle should be imported from upcountry The resolution which was adopted unanimously further urged upon the Government the desirability of removing restrictions on the trade so as to ease the present difficult situation.

The meeting by another resolution expressed the fear that the Government's scheme regarding the Are Milk Colony was not in the interest of the milk-producers. They apprehended that they would not get a fair price, and as such they were unwilling to shift to the new milk colony.

The same resolution further called upon the Government to fix the price of milk, after carrying on a scientific inquiry in the working of the trade. This was necessary in order to remove the delusion from the public mind that there was heavy profit in the trade.

Death Anniversary Of F. C. Banaji

The 98th death anniversary of late Sheth Framji C. Banaji will be observed at the Krishna Theatre, Charni Road, on Sunday (20th inst.) as under:—9-30 to 1 p.m. when joint prayers will be held and a film of the proposed Parsi Uran Colony will be shown pointing out the progress of the colonisation scheme, this will be followed by showing the popular film of "Bharat Milan."

Burmese Rail Workers Strike

RANGOON, Feb. 16 (PTI-Reuter): Two thousand Burmese rail workers struck today in protest against the Government's decision to cut the cost of living allowance and to retrench 25 per cent of the staff.

They later joined dismissed Government employees in an anti-Government demonstration through the city's main streets.

WAY TO WORLD PEACE

Mulk Raj Anand Suggests Exchange Of Intellectuals Between Nations

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

Dr. Mulk Raj Anand, noted author, who recently returned from an extensive Western European tour, affirmed at a public meeting here today, that the achievement of a lasting world peace lay with intellectuals and not politicians. He suggested the exchange of intellectuals between nations for the promotion of understanding between the different peoples of the world.

Dr. Anand said there was a "great hunger" in European countries for knowing more about Indian culture.

Dr. Anand, who attended a conference of intellectuals at Warsaw, said he observed that intellectuals talked not as members of political parties but they gave sincere expression to their ideas and feelings, which was not the case with statesmen. He felt that in the context of world events today, it was impossible for intellectuals to stand by as spectator. He made a plea for a more coordinated effort by them to force a lasting peace.

The meeting was held at the Town Hall, under the auspices of the Bombay branch of the Royal Asiatic Society. The Hon. Mr. Chagla, Chief Justice of Bombay, presided.

HOTEL WORKERS' DEMANDS

8-Hour Day, Provident Fund And Wage Standardisation

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

Presiding over a meeting of hotel workers at Chowpatty tonight, Mr. Pishorilal, labour leader of Bombay asserted that the conditions of Bombay hotel workers even in some of the fashionable hotels in the city were deplorable. He added that the conditions in smaller restaurants and establishments were appalling and inhuman beyond description. He contended that 'sweated labour' existed even today in many restaurants.

Mr. Mohamed Jaffer, President of the Bombay Hotel Kamgar Union regretted that employers as a class, specially owners of hotels, did not appreciate the vital role of labour without which hotel industry could not function for a day. He said production could not be increased by denying a fair deal to workers. He pointed out that it had become a fashion for industrialists and employers to turn down the legitimate demands of workers in the name of Industrial Truce.

The meeting passed a resolution demanding standardisation of wages in hotel industry, provident fund, regular bonus and 8 hours working day.

GUY DE BOYSSON IN CITY

President Of World Federation Of Democratic Youth

BOMBAY, Wednesday: M. Guy de Boysson, President of the World Federation of Democratic Youth and a member of the French National Assembly, arrived in Bombay today, by air from Paris, on a 14-day visit to India.

M. de Boysson, who was one of the leaders of the resistance movement in France during the war, is today the youngest member of the French Assembly. The purpose of his visit is to study at first hand the conditions of Indian youth and to discuss problems of the world youth movement with leading members of student and trade union organisations in this country. After a stay in this city for five days, he will proceed to other major cities, as Calcutta, Madras, Hyderabad, Dacca, etc.

The following programme has been fixed for M. de Boysson by the Reception Committee:

Friday February 18: Public reception at Napoo Gardens, Matunga—8-30 p.m.

Saturday, 19th: Public meeting at Shivdi Naka Maidan—5-30 p.m.

Public reception at Husaini Bagh, Nagpada—9 p.m.

Sunday, 20th: Public meeting at Lal Bagh Maidan—5 p.m.

M. Guy de Boysson will meet press reporters Friday, February 18 at Tambe's, Hamam Street, Fort, at 4 p.m.

Dedication Ceremony Of Byculla Branch Of Y. W. C. A.

BOMBAY, Wednesday: Right Rev. W. Q. Lash, Bishop of Bombay performed the dedication and housewarming ceremony of the Byculla Branch of the Bombay Young Women's Christian Association at Motlibai Street, Byculla on Wednesday evening.

After Mrs. K. G. Jacob, President of the Bombay Y.W.C.A. welcomed the guests, the Bishop of Bombay conducted the dedication service. Addressing the gathering, he exhorted young women to dedicate their life for the service of humanity.

The premises of the Byculla Branch will be known as Achamma Bhuvan and will also be used as a hostel for young women.

Exhibition-Sale Of Home Arts And Industries

An Exhibition sale of varieties of household and presentation articles of home industries has been arranged by the Exhibition Society, from 1st to 8th March, 1949, at the Sir Cowasjee Jehangir Hall. The object is to give wide publicity to the manufacturers and artisans, encouraging sales of their products and give opportunity to the general public to buy varieties of articles from one place, only.

Those who wish to have the stalls can apply to the Hon. Secretary, the Exhibition Society, Central Bank Building, (lift No. 4) Fort, Bombay. Entrance to the Exhibition Sale is free.

Latest Commercial

NEW YORK COTTON MARCH.
NEW YORK, Feb. 16.

Previous Closing	32.38
Today's Opening	32.28
Difference	—10
Today's Closing	32.27
Difference	—11

LAST QUOTATIONS.
BOMBAY, Feb. 16.

	Rs.	As.
Silver Bullion Ready	188	0
Gold Ready	118	8
Sovereign	76	0
EXPECTATION:		
Cotton Jarila May	623	0

NEW YORK STOCKS.
NEW YORK, Feb. 16.

Stock Exchange opening prices:—Anaconda Copper Mining dol 32-1/4. General Motors dol. 59-1/4. United States Steel Common dol. 72-1/4. United States Steel Preference dol. 135-1/2.—(Reuter).

Ahmedabad Share Market

(From Our Correspondent)
AHMEDABAD, Feb. 16.

Market ruled firm. Every decline attracted buyers. It is stated that Arvind mill has applied for a permission for capital increase and it is believed that a preference share of Rs. one hundred and dividened of Rs. thirty will be given for the year 1948.

Calico opened 1224; lowest 1223; highest 1234; closed 1230.

Ambika opened 388; highest 391; closed 389.

Arvind opened 1452; lowest 1450; highest 1458; closed 1456.

Deffered opened 1588; lowest 1578; highest 1595; closed 1592.

Closing quotations: Calico 1230; Arvind 1456; Ambika 389; Deffered 1592; Jupiter 335; Rajnagar 815; Old Commercial 65-8-0; Sarangpur 1552-8-0; Laxmi Cotton 420; Manek Harivallabh 440.

Karachi Cotton Market

(From Our Correspondent)
KARACHI, Feb. 16.

Cotton ready Sind NT 90/8; Punjab 289-F 96/-; Four F 85/-; New crop NT Roller ready delivery 89/8 to 90/-; Sawgin 94/8 to 95/-; Market easy owing to slack of demand.

Yesterday business totalled about 1706 bales, Arrivals from upcountry 13409 bales, Exports 3700 bales out of which 1625 bales for Liverpool, 938 bales Bombay, 360 bales Shanghai, 220 bales Antwerp, 200 bales New York, 200 bales Machester, 150, bales venice, 13 bales Tuticorin.

Cottonseed NT ready 8/4; DO New crop 9/-; Dessi 12/-; Rapeseed 165/-; Market quiet but steady with moderate demand.

Yesterday arrivals from upcountry 19457 MDS, Exports totalled 7167 bags, which were for Portbunder, Bedibunder and Kandla.

Gold Tejabi 108/12; Sovereigns 69/-; Silver coins 125/-. Market steadier on account of some demand from upcountry.

STOCK EXCHANGE: Habib Bank 180; State Bank Pakistan 102/-; Karachi Elec. 133/-; Three per cent 1960; Pakistan Govt. loan 100/2.

Calicut Market

(From Our Correspondent)
CALICUT, Feb. 16.

Coiryarn Beypore 135/145; Quilandy 145/155; Fibre Garbled 95; Ungarbled 85; Coconuts raw 160/165; Dry 140/155; Coconutoil 590; Copra Office 397/400; Dilpasand 4110; Madrasnottam 420; Pepper Wynaad 1125; Country 1110; Dryginger Chernad 500; Ernad 490; Coffee Robusta 150; Timber pali 60/70; Junglewood 35/40; Wellapine 60/67.8; Benteak 35/40; Teak 80/120; Mango 3/4; Teak 10/17; Rosewood 12/8/20.

Hapur Market Rates

(From Our Correspondent)
HAPUR, Feb. 16.

Wheat 28/- to 32/-; Entirely steady. Gram 15/8; Barley 19/4; Bejhar 15/4; Maize 16/8, Bajra 16/2; Juwar 14/12; Guwar 11/12; Matar 13/8; Arhar 13/8; Urd 18/8; Moong 20/8; Masoor 15/-; Gur 12/8 to 12/10; Crystal 29/8; Khandsari 20/- to 25/-; Fagan future 12/9; opened 12/7/6; Biasakh 12/15/6; Opened now 13/1; Sarson 24/8; Taraseed 19/- to 21/8-; Oil 65/-; Oilcake 7/14; Cottonseed 14/8; Groundnut 18/-; Oats 10/8.

Bardana ready Chet 109/-; April 119/-.

Sarson Jeth opened 23/4; now 23/8. Silver forward 182/3; Gold 117/8. Arhar Jeth 12/1; Matar 11/14.

News in Brief

CALCUTTA, Feb. 15 (A.P.I.): Seven golden images of Lord Buddha and his attendants and some images of the Budhisattva have been discovered near Sambas in West Borneo by Mr. Tan Yeok Seong, President of the South Sea Association, Singapore. The figures are described by archaeologists as masterpieces of goldcraft and are in excellent condition.

HYDERABAD, Feb. 16 (U.P.I.): Fourteen Pathans who were stated to have been involved in a series of holdups in the city and its suburbs recently, have been arrested by the police. A portion of the looted property has also been recovered and restored to their rightful owners.

HYDERABAD (Deccan), Feb. 16 (A.P.I.): The Government og Hyderabad has appointed Mr. K. C. Wadia, as officer on special duty in the Finance Department, for a period of four months to look into the affairs of industrial concerns in which Government holds substantial interests.

CALCUTTA, Feb. 16 (A.P.I.): The weekly express goods service between Shalimar and Bombay is being discontinued with immediate effect.

CALCUTTA, Feb. 16 (U.P.I.): What might be described as a miniature arsenal was discovered by the Calcutta police early yesterday morning in a jungle by the side of a bustee on south Sinthi Road near Dum Dum air-port, about four miles from Calcutta.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

Quietly Irregular Trend

LONDON, Feb. 16. (PTI-Reuter): Although there was no rush of buying orders, the London Stock Exchange started new account on generally firm note

Exceptions to better trend were breweries and tobaccos. The former were marked lower following reduced distribution by Meux Brewery Company.

Other sections showed many improvements which were generally held in small trading. There was activity and interest in cable and wireless ordinary stocks. Buying pushed price several points higher although the best level was not held. Hopes are that holders will soon hear favourable compensation news.

Business in Giltedged stocks was small and one two long dateds lost ground.

The oil market was firm. Canadians and Mexicans lost an earlier gain to close unchanged on the day.

News of a coalition Government in Japan assisted Japanese issues in the foreign bond section.

South African gold minings were generally firm. Support was for certain freestate issues on hopes of good development results in the near future.

U. S. INDIA COOPERATE TO PRODUCE BETTER DAIRY CATTLE
WASHINGTON, Feb. 16

The United States and India are cooperating for breeding of better dairy cattle for the mutual benefit of both nations.

Four selected dairy animals, representing the best Jersey blood the U. S. Government owns, have arrived safely at the Allahabad Agricultural Institute, the U. S. Department of Agriculture has been informed. The animals were shipped from the Dairy Experiment Station at Beltsville, Maryland.

Dr. O. E. Reed, chief of the Bureau of Dairy Industry, said the shipment was made in accordance with an agreement between the Bureau and the Allahabad Institute whereby selected breeding stock would be exchanged for experimental purposes. Two Red Sindhi heifers and two Red Sindhi bulls—representative of a popular dairy strain of Brahman .Zebu) cattle in India—were received at Beltsville in 1946.

The arrival of the Red Sindhi cattle marked the beginning of a long-term breeding experiment by the Bureau of Dairy Industry to develop better dairy cattle for Southern climatic conditions in the United States. Brahman cattle possess greater resistance to heat, pests, and drought. Considerable evidence exists to indicate that crossing Red Sindhi and Jerseys may aid in developing a more desirable dairy animal for tropical and subtropical areas.

Of the animals which arrived in India, two are registered Jersey heifers and one a young Jersey bull.

Each carries blood from outstanding Jersey strains in the Government experimental station. The fourth is a young Red Sindhi-Jersey crossbred bull, sired at Beltsville by one of the imported Red Sindhi bulls.

The Allahabad Agricultural Institute has been crossbreeding dairy cattle experimentally for many years, and for the past 15 years this work has almost exclusively involved crossing Jerseys with Red Sindhis. According to a spokesman from India, their results thus far clearly indicate tremendous possibilities in this method of increasing the milk production of the Zebu milk stock maintained at the Institute.

Authorities of the Government of India realize the importance of improving their dairy cattle so that more people can be supplied with milk. The shipment of dairy stock from the United States will help produce better dairy cattle in India.—USIS.

INDIAN ENGINEERS WILL VISIT U. S. FERTILIZER PLANTS
NEW YORK, Feb. 16

Six Indian engineers who were sent by the Government of India to observe fertilizer manufacturing plants will spend several months in the United States and Canada getting practical experience in the operation of such plants in Niagara Falls, Ontario, and in Midwestern United States.

Leader of the group is Dr. K. L. Ramaswami, deputy superintendent of production at the new fertilizer factory being set up by the Government of India at Sindri, Bihar.

Also in the delegation are J. Simon, Ramaswami's assistant at the Sindri plant, and H. G. Rao, H. A. Bhatta, S. C. Jain and A. N. Krishnaswami, all ammonia plant foremen.

The Indian visitors are specifically interested in studying ammonia synthesis as preliminary to the production of ammonium compounds used as fertilisers.

Their itinerary is being arranged by the Chemical Construction Company, subsidiary of the American Cyanamid Company. The group will leave later this week for a three-month period with the Welland Works of North American Cyanamid Limited at Niagara Falls, Ontario. The Canadian firm is also a subsidiary of the American Cyanamid Company. Later the group will go to a fertilizer plant, as yet unselected, in Midwestern United States for further training.

The Chemical Construction Company has acted as design engineers and has been supervising construction operations at the Sindri plant at the request of the Government of India for the last three years. The plant, still under construction, will probably be ready for production in another year.

Two construction men from the Chemical Construction Company are now in India directing work at the plant, and more will be sent later, a company official reported. The American firm will continue to supply operating engineers until Indian engineers are ready to take over.—USIS.

POLL ON ATLANTIC PACT

NEW YORK, Feb. 16 (PTI-Reuter): The American Council for Foreign Relations, an unofficial body, has conducted a poll on Atlantic Pact amongst its members.

Out of 540 members, 432 said they believed the United States should guarantee fighting support for European nations joining the Atlantic Pact.

The Council draws its members from Executives of business corporations, the legal profession, University staffs, newspaper editors and radio commentators, labour leaders and farmers.

STEEL AND SYNTHETIC OIL SCHEMES

Preliminary Expenditure Approved

NEW DELHI, Feb. 15.—Proposals in regard to preliminary expenditure on schemes for the establishment of a new steel works in India and the manufacture of synthetic oil from coal were approved by the Standing Finance Committee when it met in New Delhi recently. The Hon'ble Dr. John Mattahai, Minister for Finance presided.

As new undertakings for the manufacture of iron and steel are now the exclusive responsibility of the State, the Government decided some time ago to proceed with exploratory work in respect of two alternative schemes, for the establishment of: one plant of the million ton capacity, or two plant each of half a million ton capacity. Three firms of international repute were accordingly appointed to report independently on the first stage of the proposal, which relates to the making of a preliminary survey and report on the two schemes, and to advise on selection of sites, facilities for transport, water supply, power, etc. They have completed their work and the project reports are expected very shortly. The total expenditure involved is estimate at Rs. 10 lakhs non-recurring.

SYNTHETIC OIL

The proposal to manufacture synthetic oil in India, it was explained to Standing Finance Committee, is actuated by world shortage of petrol in general and India's dependence on imports of this commodity in particular. The Government last year invited an American firm of experts to prepare a project study of a scheme for producing synthetic oil from Indian coal in units with capacities per annum of 1,000,000 tons, 500,000 tons 250,000 tons and 100,000 tons each. The firm has in its employ a number of German experts familar with the technique of oil synthesis and will utilise their services in the preparation of the project study. The report is now in its final stages. Reports are also being obtained from two other quarters. For technical advice on these reports, the Government has obtained the services of a German expert, Dr. W. F. A. Grimme. The total cost of these preliminary investigations will be Rs. 3,08,000 non-recurring.

The scheme, if finally accepted, will not only provide a source for oil which is much needed, but should also secure a useful outlet for inferior grades of oils of which reserves in this country are plentiful.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 16, (PTI-Reuter): A bill to ensure greater use of American shipping in all relief programmes operated by American Funds is expected to meet with little delay in being passed by Congress.

Inter-Provincial-State Restriction On Movement Of Raw Cotton

The Secretary, Indian Merchants Chamber has made the following representation to the Ministry of Commerce New Delhi:—

The Committee of my Chamber have received representations from cotton interests drawing their attention to the difficulties and inconvenience caused by the recent restrictions on movement of cotton imposed by some of the provincial and State Governments. According to the information available, Government of Hyderabad, Rajasthan, Madhya Bharat, East Punjab and Saurashtra are understood to have passed orders restricting movement of cotton outside their provincial or territorial limits. This restriction, naturally, has placed the cotton merchants, holding supplies in such centres, in a difficult position

In the normal course of their business, cotton merchants have bought and acquired supplies of cotton in the areas coming within one or the other of the territories mentioned above. These supplies were meant to be moved into centres of consumption where owners of the stocks has corresponding commitments for sales either to Indian mills or for purpose of export. Apart from the serious disorganization in their business activities, the restriction in question is also coming in the way of the owners, referred to above, being able to discharge their commitments with the buyers in question at the consuming ends. Similarly, some textile mills, as consumers, have acquired supplies of cotton in some of the centres in Madhya Bharat, Saurashtra etc. If they are prevented from moving their supplies, their manufacturing activities will be seriously disorganized. The restriction further affects the interests of the growers adversely by limiting the market available for them and by making them entirely dependent on local mills for the sale of their crop.

My Committee request that Government will be good enough to give thi aspect of the matter their early at tention and use their good offices with the authorities of the Provincial Governments and the Indian States concerned with a view to the restriction in question being removed.

Calcutta Shares Marked Up Further

CALCUTTA, Feb. 16.

The market ruled better round all sections and prices were marked up further. Following are today's final transactions upto 2-30 p.m.:—

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES: Three per cent Government Paper 98/5, Three per cent Loan 1986 98/10 Three per cent Loan 1949/52 100/7, Three per cent Loan 1951/54 101/3 S. Lot, Three per cent Loan 1953/55 101/7, Three per cent Loan 1963/65 100 S. Lot, Three per cent Loan 1970/75 99/15.

BANKS: Bharat Bank 4, Imperial Bank (Fully Paid) 1833, Punjab National Bank 42/12

COTTONS: Cawnpore Textiles 10/3. Elgin Mills 16/14, New Victoria Pref. 4/14 Small Odd Lot.

COALS: Bharat Colliery 7, Burrakur 12/8, Parasea 3/5, South Karanpura 26/4.

JUTES: Alliance Pref. 127 Small Odd Lot, Agalpara 22/7, Auckland Pref. 12/, Hooghly Pref. 17/4.

MININGS: Consolidated Tin annas fifteen, Indian Copper 2/4, Karanpura Development 25/12, Tavoy Tin annas twelve.

MISCELLANEOUS: Dalmia Cement 7/8, Sone valley Cement 6/6, Calcutta Electric 20/2, Steel Corpn. 21, New Asiatic Insurance 5/4, B. I. C 8/5 Cum Div. Jardin. Henderson 160/8, Martin Burn Pref. 119/8, National Tobacco Pref. 102/8 British Burma Petrol 1/9, Titaghur Paper 34/4 Ex Div. Small Lot CT, Midnapore Zemindary 71, India General Navgn. 95/8, India Steamship 8/12

SUGARS: Carew and Co. 8/8.

TEAS: Baghmari 14/12 CT, Central Cachar 117 CT, Eastern Cachar 4112 CT.

Low Volume Of Business On Madras Stock Exchange

MADRAS, Feb. 16.

On the local market the volume of business was again on the low side. Banks shares were lower with Travancore Banks marked down to Rs. 17/14 sellers pressing the market. Tea shares were a shade sadder with good enquiry for firm class issues. In the textiles section Lakshmis were well enquired for as also Mettur industries. Absence of sellers for other issues hampered business. The miscellaneous section was neglected except for a solitary deal in F. A. C. T. at Rs. 4/14/6. The market closed quietly steady.

Following are the closing quotations:—

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES: Government of India Three per cent Paper 98/4, Ditto Three per cent 1986 98/9, Ditto Three per cent 1953/55 101/6, Government of Madras Three per cent 1960 100/4.

BANKS: Travancore 17/14.

SUGARS AND BREWERIES: Deccan 17, Travancore 8/12, Ditto Pref. 9/3.

PLANTINGS: Balamdies 1/4, Blue Mountain 2/7/6, Chembra 4/10, Devashola 18/2, Midland 5/6, Ouchterlony 5/9, Periakaramalai 21/12, Pullangode 1, Thirumbadi 2/6, Waterfall 2/7, T. R. and T. Co. 5/10.

TEXTILES: Buckingham 155, Ditto Pref. 191, Cambodia 8/14, Coimbatore C. M. 110, Lakshmi 63/8, Madura 43/6, Mettur 304, Mysore Spun 6/1, Radhakrishna 137, Rajalakshmi 56/8, Ranga Vilas 44/4, Trav Rayons 4/1, Trichinopoly 11/2.

MISCELLANEOUS: Andhra Cement 64 F. A. C. T. 4/14/6, Mettur Chem. 7/11, Mysore Chem. Fert 6/14.

The wealth of nations No.4. ROME

The great Roman Capitols where the Senators met to make laws, the Roman Colosseum where the gladiatorial feasts were held, the massive Temples which housed the gods and goddesses of Rome and the wide roads and bridges through which the Roman phalanx marched in all its pageantry, were the result of years of endeavour and diligence. Rome was rich because the wealth of its people had been canalised for national regeneration.

Today you can help in regenerating India. To make India a rich and great nation not only the wealth of the handful rich, but the small savings of all our people are needed. If you save all you can and invest it wisely in the various forms of Government Securities, you will help in building up the capital required for the country's development schemes. Remember, the wealth of nations is built up by the savings of its people wisely invested. But your savings will help you also: Today's prices are bad value for your money. Reckless spending will increase this inflation. But if you save and invest your savings wisely, you will not only earn a handsome interest but conserve your capital for the future when the value of your money will increase.

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Parliament Questions

Minimum Wages To Be Fixed By March Next Year

Relief & Rehabilitation Ministry Has Spent Rs. 22 Crores And 13 Lakhs Till December, 1948

NEW DELHI, February 16 (U.P.I.): Minimum wages under the Minimum Wages Act, 1948 are expected to be fixed before the 15th March 1950 in the case of all industries covered by the Act except agriculture and before the 15th March 1951 in the case of agriculture, said the Labour Minister, Mr. Jagjivan Ram in Parliament today during the question hour.

Minimum Wages in certain industries have, however, been fixed in some provinces by industrial tribunals or by orders under the Provincial Industrial Disputes Act, he added.

Prime Minister, Pandit Nehru, denied the report that Government of India were contemplating to appoint a Minister who would be entrusted with the work in connection with the plebiscite in Kashmir.

The Relief and Rehabilitation Minister stated that the total expenditure incurred from the inception of the Ministry till the end of 1948 was Rs. 22 crores 13 lakhs, of this amount 57 lakhs 21 thousand were spent on the staff, Rs. 2 crores 85 lakhs and 85 thousand were, given as loan to refugees, Rs. 1 crore, 52 lakhs and 44 thousand on building quarters for refugees, Rs. 13 crores, 64 lakhs and 76 thousand on refugee camps, Rs. 28 lakhs and 53 thousand or training centres for refugees and Rs. 3 crores, 24 lakhs and 21 thousand on miscellaneous expenses.

Pandit Nehru replying to a question whether Great Britain consulted India before she decided to recognise Israel as an independent state said that the Government of India were informed by the U. K. Government of the action they proposed to take.

The Deputy Minister for External Affairs Ministry informed the House that the Indian Embassy in Moscow was located in a fairly commodious building in which the Ambassador and non-diplomatic staff were housed. A monthly rent of Rs. 8,720 was being paid for this building, he stated.

Asked whether Government had made arrangements for evacution of 50 non-Muslim military policemen along with their families from Las-Bela state in Baluchistan, Shri Mohanlal Saksena stated that there are no non-Muslim policemen or their families left in Las-Bela state.

INDIANS IN BURMA

The conditions of Indians in that area of Burma where Burmese and Karen have come into clash and the question of their evacuation were discussed in the Parliament today through a short notice question.

Prime Minister, Pandit Nehru replying to the question said the total Indian population in Burma is expected to be about 7 lakhs. The majority of them live in the delta area, where, in a number of districts, the Burmese troops have clashed with the Karens.

The main clash with the Karens occurred in the Insein suburb of Rangoon, on the 1st February. When fighting was intensified, a temporary truce was specially arranged by the Indian embassy for the evacuation of Indians and, as a result, about 4,000 Indians were evacuated to safety in Rangoon. Intense fighting continues in villages around Insein, but not many Indians are believed to have been left behind in this area.

He added: The following districts of Burma are reported to have been affected, more or less, by the present Karen revolt, Insein, Pegu, Hanthawady, Prome, Tharawady, Toungoo, Maubin, Henzada, Bassein, Moulmein and Thaton. Indians live in all these districts.

Indian population in Rangoon is roughly estimated to be about 2 lakhs, he said. The law and order situation in the capital is reported to be particularly normal.

Pandit Nehru concluded said, "The majority of the Indian population has been rescued to safety from the battle zone in and around Insein."

Pandit Nehru informed Mr. Kesava Rao that according to information from Government of Madras no French Indian Police at any time trespassed into Indian Union territory and arrested Manabjana Sabha workers.

REPATRIOTS FROM MALAYA

Pandit Nehru informed the same member that government were not aware that any Indian national was compulsorily repatriated from Malaya. A number of Indian nationals who were detained in Malaya under the emergency regulations were given the option of repatriation to India by the Malaya authorities. Of them 56 Indians returned to India.

Asked whether the Government have examined their cases individually and satisfied themselves in respect of the complaints against them, Pandit Nehru said that Government were not in a position to see whether there was any ground for the arrest and detention in Malaya of those persons. India's representative in Malaya had been asked, he said, to send his own reports in regard to these Indians.

Dr. B. V. Keshkar replying to Mr. Ananthasayanam Ayyangar said that at the Indo-Burma talks on Burma Land Act held in November 1948.

Discussions were confined to a general statement of the points of view of the two Governments. A delegation, led by Dr. Pattabhi Sitaramayya was to have left for Rangoon on the 2nd February to discuss matters affecting Indian agricultural interests, but its departure has had to be postponed indefinitely, at the request of the Burma Government, who are now preoccupied with the maintenance of law and order in that country.

Pandit Nehru told Mr. Brajeshwar Prasad that Private Secretaries to Ambassadors were appointed by the External Affairs Ministry 'ad hoc' on the recommendations of the Ambassador concerned. These appointments were temrestricted to 'that of the Ambassador selecting him. The salary was fixed from Rs. 300/- to Rs. 500/-. In addition they receive foreign allowances prescribed.

MERCHANT NAVY

The Commerce Minister, Mr. K. C Neogy informed Mr. Sidhva that the committee appointed by Government in 194- to report on the problem of shortage of merchant navy officers has submitted five interim reports.

The merchant navy, he said, had provided facilities to train merchant navy officers in India. During the last five years 215 boys were trained in executive branch and 240 in engineering branch.

A Nautical College had been opened in Burma and it would primarily impart post-sea technical instruction to candidates preparing for the Commerce Ministry's examination for certificates of competency as merchant navy officers both executive and engineering. As a special measure, the college would also impart pre-sea training to boys between the ages of 16 and 18 years for the executive branch and to those that have acquired the necessary practical engineering experience, without any age limit: for the engineering branch. Fifty-four boys had been admitted so far for post-sea course and 32 for pre-sea course.

Mr Neogy informed Pandit Mukut Bihari Bhargava that during the seven months from 1st April 1948 to 31st October 1948 India imported goods worth Rs. 73 crores from dollar and hard currency areas and goods worth Rs. 194 crores from soft currency areas. During the same period exports worth Rs. 69 crores and Rs. 171 crores were made to dollar and hard currency areas and soft currency areas. The percentage of capital goods imported as compared to total imports was 16.1.

The Commerce Ministry informed the same member that inview of the representation that the export duty levied on cotton textiles and castor seeds and oil would affect the export market in these commodities government had decided to reduce the duty of 25 per cent ad. valorem 'of. cotton' textiles to 10 per cent 'ad valorem' and that it should be removed altogether in the case of castor seed and oil.

He added that the total production of mill-made and hand-made cloth in 1947-48 was 5,128 million yards. Of this 1924 million yards were exported during the same years. During the period April to December 1948, 4,559 million yards of mill-made and hand-made cloth were estimated to have been produced. Of this 236.6 million yards were exported during the period April-November 1948

SECRETARIES TO AMBASSADORS

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Mr. Mohanlal Saksena stated that 16,111 refugee engineers including Government servants, had been resettled so far and 3524 still remained to be rehabilitated

OIL EXPERTS' WORK

The Minister for Works, Mines and Power, Mr. N. V. Gadgil, stated that a team of six British and American experts was sent out by the oil companies in October, 1948, to survey the technical possibilities of setting up refineries in India for treating imported crude oil. They had completed their investigations, and left India by the middle of January 1949. The experts would submit their report to the oil companies, who in turn were expected to send their reports to Government.

The Relief and Rehabilitation Minister, Mr. Mohanlal Seksena, informed Mr. Arun Chandra Guha that the total expenditure so far incurred by the Government of India for East Bengal refugees was approximately Rs. 1 crore and 59 lakhs and this was likely to increase to about Rs. 2 crores by the 31st March, 1949. Apart from this, the West Bengal Government had given loan to the extent of nearly Rs. 21 lakhs. He said that so far 8,331 refugees had been rehabilitated.

FIRST SHIPPING CORPORATION

The Commerce Minister stated that the negotiations with the Managing Agents selected for the first shipping Corporation were in the final stages and the Corporation was expected to be registered in the near future. The issued capital of the Corporation would be Rs. 10 crores, of which Government would subscribe for and take up 51 per cent, the Managing Agents 26 per cent and the remaining 23 per cent would be offered to the public. Government would further take up any portion of the capital not taken up by the public.

Provision was made for effective Government control in the Directorate of the Corporation in which the Directors representing Government would be in a majority. The present target of tonnage for the Corporation was 1,00,000 gross tons.

FACILITIES FOR EXPORT

The Commerce Minister, Mr. K. C. Neogy, made a long statement in the Parliament today indicating the measures taken by Government for increasing India's exports. They were also contemplating, he added, other measures to this end.

In order to stimulate exports, continued Mr. Neogy, in general to all foreign countries over 200 commodities had been decontrolled since the termination of the war.

Continuing Mr. Neogy said:

"As regards measures to stimulate exports to hard currency areas Government have allowed certain goods to be exported freely to hard currency areas while quotas of certain other commodities like jute goods, oils, and oil-seeds and cloth are fixed liberally for such areas.

"The Government of India have already appointed commercial representatives in 15 countries and decided to appoint commercial representatives in seven others including Italy, Iraq, Aden, Czechoslovakia, West Canada, Siam and Switzerland. The appointments will be made as soon as suitable incumbents are available. Proposals are also at present under consideration for appointment of commercial representatives in Hong Kong, Turkey, USSR., Belgium, Malaya, East U.S.A. and Philippines. India's trade interests in USA China, Argentina, Sinkiang, West Indies, Fiji and Mauritius are looked after by India's diplomatic and consular officers. The Government of India have already entered, commercial agreements with Anglo-American Zone of Germany, Yugoslavia, Pakistan and Japan.

"During the past year India carried trade negotiations with Italy, France, Belgium, Switzerland, U.S.S.R., Poland, Finland, Austria, Czechoslovakia, Soviet Zone of Germany, Hungary and Sweden, but it is premature to indicate the terms and commodities which will figure in the trade agreements, if any, that might be entered into with these countries."

The Government of India is expected to enter into trade negotiations with Iran, Iraq, Egypt, Tibet, Siam, Ceylon and Burma.

EAST BENGAL REFUGEES

Replying to a supplementary question relating to rehabilitation of refugees from Eastern Pakistan, Pt. Nehru said that so far as relief measures were concerned, there could be no distinction between refugees from Western Pakistan and those from Eastern Pakistan There was, in fact, no distinction.

In the matter of actual rehabilitation, he added, the Government of India were working through the agency of the West Bengal Government The Government's policy, however, was not to encourage migration of people from Eastern Pakistan. They could not control the exodus as it depended on the East Bengal Government's policy, but they were hoping that people who had migrated from East Bengal would go back to their homes. The exodus, he observed, had completely stopped and some refugees had gone back and some more might go back. The rehabilitation of the rest was the responsibility of the Government, and plans for the same were being considered and a large number were provided for, he said.

EVACUATION OF INDIANS IN INSEIN

Nehru's Reply To Questions In Parliament

NEW DELHI, Feb. 16 (API): The majority of Indian population had been rescued to safety from the battle zone in and around Insein, said the Prime Minister, Pt. Nehru replying to a short notice question put by Mr. R. K. Sidhwa in the Parliament today.

The Prime Minister said that accurate statistics were not available as to the number of Indians in Burma, particularly in the vicinity of the areas where Burmese and Karen troops had come to clash. However, it was estimated that there were seven lakhs of Indians in Burma and the majority of them lived in the Delta Area, where, in a number of districts, the Burmese troops had clashed with the Karens.

TRUCE FOR EVACUATION

The main clash occurred at Insein, a suburb of Rangoon, on February 1. Fighting was intensified, a temporary truce was specially arranged by the Indian Embassy for the evacuation of Indians and, as a result, about 4,000 Indians were evacuated to safety in Rangoon. Intense fighting continued in villages around Insein, but not many Indians were believed to have been left behind in the area. Indians lived in almost all the 11 districts affected by the Karen revolt. They included: Insein, Pegu, Hanthawady, Prome, Tharawady, Toungoo, Maubin, Henzada, Bassein, Moulmein and Thaton.

Replying to supplementaries, Pandit Nehru said that the Indian population in Rangoon was roughly estimated to be about two lakhs. The Law and Order situation in the capital was reported to be practically normal.

The Prime Minister said that it was not correct that most of the refugees had approached the Indian Embassy to be repatriated. Hardly any Indian had asked for aid to be repatriated on account of certain economic measures which the Burmese Government might take. But in the case of the recent trouble some people expressed the desire to come back to India and our Embassy had been instructed to make the necessary arrangements to help them to return home.

Progress Of Kausambi Excavations

ALLAHABAD, Feb. 16. (API): Considerable progress has been made by the Allahabad University Kausambi expedition. Excavation made so far have revealed five clearly defined habitation periods.

The most important is an underground celler seven feet six inches by five feet six inches going as deep as twenty feet. The celler yielded a large number of vessels of various sizes and shapes. Coins belonging to the era of King Kanishka have also been found.

U. S. And The Atlantic Pact

W. European Countries To Seek Clearer Statement

WASHINGTON, Feb. 16 (P.T.I.-Reuter): Bi-partisan agreement in the United States Senate to "tone down" the terms of the proposed Atlantic Pact is expected to lead Western European countries to seek a clearer statement of the commitments America is willing to accept.

Ambassadors of the Western European nations will probably seek this clarifications when the pact negotiations get together again within a week, it was learned.

European diplomats here have not disguised their disappointment at events in the Senate on Monday, when both Democratic and Republican Party leaders gave notice that they would not accept a pact involving the United States in a "moral obligation" to go to war.

The Democratic spokesman, Senator Tom Conally, Chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, said last night he favoured the use of such language as would pledge the United States to "take such measures as it may deem necessary to maintain the security of the North Atlantic area."

Observers here believed the Senate was contemplating a pact which would increase the "likelihood" of joint military action against an aggressor but would not provide the "certainty."

Mr. Lincoln White, a State Department spokesman said yesterday the United States hoped to publish sufficient information on the pact's draft terms for "public analysis of its objectives well before it is signed."

Mr. Halvard Lange, Norwegian Foreign Minister, was flying home from London today after his Atlantic pact discussions with Mr. Bevin. He will report to the Norwegian Cabinet and further three-power Scandinavian discussions are expected tomorrow.

The Soviet periodical "New Times" commenting on Mr. Lange's visit to the United States, said America was exerting "tremendous pressure" on Norway to place her territory and manpower at the disposal of the "aggressive" Atlantic bloc, a Moscow message reported."

BAO DAI TO BECOME EMPEROR AGAIN ?

SAIGON, Feb. 16 (PTI-Reuter):—Gen. Ngyyen Van Xuan, Prime Minister of the Provisional Central Government of Vietnam (Indo-China), said here last night he was making "practical arrangements for the return and installation" of Ex-Emperor Bao Dai of Annam, "in the very near future".

Usually well informed sources said the Ex-Emperor who is now in France, was expected to return by the end of March. Gen. Xuan, who recently met Bao Dai in France, added that a special reception committee headed by the Governor of Central Vietnam would prepare his return.

Bao Dai abdicated as Emperor of Annam in August, 1945, saying he had been a "poor puppet" and that he would return only when asked to do so by the nationalist leader Ho Chi Minh.

FRENCH NEGOTIATIONS CONDEMNED

PARIS, Feb. 16 (PTI-Reuter):—Prince Nguyen Phuc Buu Hoi of the former royal family of Annam, today condemned French negotiations with Bao Dai and called on the Government to reach settlement with Ho Chi Minh, leader of the Vietnam (Indo-Chinese Autonomy Movement).

Prince Buu Hoi calls himself overseas representative of the Ton Nhon Phu Council of the former Royal family of Vietnam.

3 MILLION U. S. LOAN TO BRITAIN

WASHINGTON, Feb. 16 (PTI-Reuter): The European Co-operation Administration today announced a supplementary loan of three million dollars to Britain. This will be available during the first quarter of this year.

The terms are the same as the previous credits, which carry 2 1/2 per cent interest.

Protest Against Trial Of Mindszenty

VATICAN CITY, Feb. 16 (PTI-Reuter): An official protest at the trial of Cardinal Mindszenty was presented to the Pope today by Senor Carlo Arango Velez, Colombian Ambassador on behalf of the 34 diplomats accredited to the Holy See.

Three Killed In Midnight Car Smash On Marine Drive

Speed-Mad Driving Leads To Tragedy

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

Three men were killed and two others seriously injured in a speed-mad accident that occurred at the spot where the Marine Drive curves towards Chowpatty, a little before midnight on Tuesday.

A horrified police constable on duty was an eye witness to the incident in which a sedan car screamed down the deserted Marine Drive, mounted the footpath, leaped 15 feet into the air before it crashed on to the sea wall. As the constable raced towards the scene he was confronted with a fantastic wreck in which five human bodies sprawled and groaned amidst broken up parts of the ill fated car.

The five unfortunate occupants were extricated from the car whose body had been broken and ripped wide open. Two of them, the driver, Pandurang Bhagoji Jambhale and one of the passengers, 29-year-old, Manohar Vasant Chapwalla were already dead.

Three others, unconscious and seriously injured were removed to the G.T. hospital, where one of them died this morning.

It is stated car Number B.M.Y.—3985 was proceeding along the Marine Drive towards Chowpatty at about 11-30 p.m. It was going at a terrific speed. It is presumed that at the spot—a little after the Mafatlal swimming pool—where the road curves left, the driver lost control over the car and was unable to negotiate the turn. The car went straight ahead and ran on to the footpath. But the speed was so great that it leaped into the air, and crashed full-speed on the embankment wall.

A constable on patrol duty who saw the incident called help and extricated the men. The driver was dead. Another had still a gasp of life in him, but died before he could be reached to the J.J. Hospital.

The brother of Manohar Vasant told the city Coroner today that his brother had left home a couple of hours earlier saying that he was going out for a walk. He knew nothing further till he heard of the accident.

DETERRENT PUNISHMENT FOR BREACH OF CLOTH CONTROL ORDER

City Firm Manager Awarded 4 Months' R. I. And Fine Of Rs. 2,000

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

Found guilty of having tried to export cotton cloth out of Bombay, Mustafa Mia Jamal Mia, Manager of a local firm, was sentenced to four months' R.I. and a fine of Rs. 2,000 in default two months' further R.I. by Mr J. M. Barot, Presidency Magistrate, at the Mazagaon Court today.

In July last the accused attempted to export to Karachi by chartered plane 5000 lbs. of powerloom cotton pieces, declaring the material to be hand-loom products. The pieces were valued at Rs. 35,000.

At the air-port the customs on investigation found that the registration of the goods was incorrect. The case was taken charge of by Crime Branch II of the Bombay C.I.D.

Mustafa Mia was found guilty by Mr. J. M. Barot, Presidency Magistrate, of breach of the Cotton Control Textile Movement Order, 1946, and sentenced accordingly.

Two U. N. Planes Missing

HAIFA, Feb. 16 (PTI-Reuter): United Nations officials in Haifa declined today to comment on the riddle of two missing United Nations planes beyond saying the matter was "very delicate and serious".

The planes are a "Dakota" and "Consol".

The "Dakota" left Amman, Transjordan capital, yesterday to search for the "Consol" of which nothing had been heard since it left Beirut, Lebanon capital, on Monday morning.

Palestine acting mediator, Dr. Ralph Bunche rebuffed a reported statement by a United Nations spokesman in Israel that Syrians had fired on the "Dakota".

Picking Of Plum Leads To Clash

ALLAHABAD, Feb. 16 (API): The picking of a stray plum from some odd tree by some one from a local school compound here led to clashes between the students and outsiders of a different community resulting in injuries to 17 persons.

Police sources said the outsiders used lathis and knives and brickbats. They were later reported to have raided the premises of the school and looted cash lying with the bursar at the time.

Five persons were arrested in this connection before order was restored.

FATAL STABBING

A stray case of stabbing took place at Kalyani Debi last night. The victim succumbed to his injuries.

FISHERIES RESEARCH

Central Technological Station To Be In City Docks

BOMBAY, Feb. 16 (API): Bombay will have an up-to-date Central Fisheries Technological Research Station towards the end of this year for the preservation and storage of fishes and utilization of its by-products.

The station will be the only laboratory of its kind to be established by the Government of India and will be equipped to carry out research work in various aspects of fisheries. The scheme has been approved by the Food and Agriculture Ministry of Government of India. The research station will be housed at the Sassoon Docks, and will work in conjunction with the Central Government's Deep Sea Fishing Station in Bombay. Freezing and cold storage plants for preservation of fishes have recently arrived from the United Kingdom and United States of America.

The scheme envisages the manufacture of "fish meal" for animal feeding fish oil for edible purposes in India, canning of fisheries products, and examining the possibilities of manufacture of other important useful by-products, namely, insulin, Vitamin concentrates will also be included in the research work.

The laboratory will consist of different sections dealing with the study of spoilage of fisheries products and nutritive value of fishes.

BOMBAY'S STREET-VENDORS

37. The Pine-Apple Seller

Making the best of the "leg room" which he finds on the foot-path in these days of housing shortage, this vendor seems to find nothing wrong with the world. Each day makes him feel he is a good salesman though he has attended no school that trains people to praise every ware, from a radio to a handkerchief. His success lies in raising the drab work of peeling a fruit to the status of a fine art. He has made the slices of this large sized pineapple look luscious and tempting by the criss-cross border. With that block of ice playing the role of a cooling plant and the peppery concoction in the open tin which he calls "Masala", the fruit dish cannot fail to bring good custom. Even in the days of tinned slices from Malaya in the pre-war era, the pine-apple seller held his ground. With the Malayan tins out of the market, he is the stand-by for the commoner who cannot afford the iced fruit of the Irani.

MUTT AND JEFF—Not Only That, But The First Husband Is An Undertaker — By BUD FISHER

GUS! GUS GEEVEM! HOW YA BEEN? HOW'S THE WIFE? MY WHAT A CUTE BABY!
GOSH, HE LOOKS EXACTLY LIKE YOU, GUS! BIG BLUE EYES, CUTE NOSE, SWELL KID!
YOU SURE GOT A BABY TO BE PROUD OF! LOOKS JUST LIKE YOU, GUS! SMART-LOOKIN' TOO!
SAY, GUS, COULD YOU LOAN ME TWO BUCKS TILL SATURDAY?
?
I COULD NOT! AND THE KID'S ME WIFE'S CHILD BY HER FIRST HUSBAND!
Fisher

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